## Question on Notice

#### No. 343

#### Asked on 2 May 2013

Mr Judge asked the Minister for Education, Training and Employment (Mr Langbroek) -

#### QUESTION:

With reference to the 55 schools in Queensland earmarked for sale-

Will the Minister confirm if Nyanda State High School (which has been named in the media) within the Yeerongpilly Electorate is one and if so, when will consultation be undertaken with the school staff and parents to address their concerns?

#### ANSWER:

I thank the Member for his question.

As announced on 3 May 2013, Nyanda State High School is one of nine schools identified for proposed closure or amalgamation under the Department of Education, Training and Employment's School Viability Assessment in 2013.

However, this does not mean that any of the schools identified will be automatically closed. Since the announcement, my Department has commenced the significant consultation process necessary to inform any decision on closure. Consultation with staff, students, parents and the broader school community will enable the identification of issues and circumstances that are unique to each school.

Supporting our commitment to a robust community consultation in each of the school communities, my Department has appointed an independent consultant, JTA Australia, to lead and manage the community consultation process in each school.

Community consultation has commenced in the Nyanda State High School community and will be finalised by the end of August 2013.

Community members are invited to make written submissions regarding the proposed closure via email to <u>nyandashs@dete.qld.gov.au</u> or post by to:

Community Consultation Infrastructure Strategy, Research and Performance PO Box 15033 CITY EAST QLD 4002.

#### **Question on Notice**

#### No. 524

#### Asked on 7 August 2013

Mr Judge asked the Minister for Education, Training and Employment (Mr Langbroek) -

#### QUESTION:

With reference to the proposed closure of Nyanda State High School — Will the Minister confirm whether the viability assessment is informed by Brisbane's draft new City Plan which illustrates major residential development and population growth in the school's catchment or has the Brisbane City Plan 2000 been relied upon?

#### ANSWER:

I thank the Member for his question.

I am advised by my Department that the criteria set out in the Department of Education, Training and Employment's *School Viability Assessment* procedure - enrolments, accessibility, curriculum and resourcing equity, was used to identify Nyanda State High School for proposed closure. My Department's analysis focused particularly on historical enrolment trends and forecasts, as well as the school's proximity to alternative state schools.

While enrolment data was provided by the Government Statistician, which was based on planning under the Brisbane City Plan 2000, this was not the only measure that was taken into account.

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# **Briefing Note**

The Honourable John-Paul Langbroek MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment

## Action required: For Approval

## Action required by: ASAP

**Critical** – Ministerial announcement of proposed school closures is required no later than mid-May 2013.

## SUBJECT: 2013 PROPOSED SCHOOL CLOSURES

## Summary of key objectives

- The Minister's approval is required to announce and commence consultation in nine school communities around the proposed for closure of schools under the 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.
- Community consultation must commence during Term 2, in order to meet the timeframes set out in the School Viability Assessment procedure and Education (General Provisions) Act 2006.
- The Department is engaging the services of an external contractor to lead and manage the consultation process.

## Key issues

- 1. On 12 March 2013, the Minister approved the draft *School Viability Assessment* procedure which was then noted by the Government on 28 March 2013.
- 2. The Department has conducted an analysis to identify Queensland state schools which do not meet the viability criteria set out in the *School Viability Assessment* procedure.
- 3. Nine schools have been identified for proposed closure (Attachment 1) as part of the Department's 2013 School Viability Assessment, using the approved viability criteria and agreed thresholds (Attachment 2).
- 4. The schools proposed for closure are Charlton State School, Coorparoo Secondary College, Everton Park State High School, Fortitude Valley State School, Nyanda State High School, Old Yarranlea State School, Stuart State School, Toowoomba South State School and Wyreema State School.
- 5. In order to meet the timeframes set out in the *School Viability Assessment* procedure, it is recommended the Minister announce the proposed school closures by mid-May 2013. A draft media release has been prepared for this purpose (**Attachment 3**).
- The proposed school closures must be published in the Government Gazette. (Attachment 4)
- 7. In line with the *School Viability Assessment* procedure, the Minister must write to the State Members of Parliament, local Mayors, principals and presidents of Parents and Citizens' Associations who will be affected by the proposed school closures in 2013.
- 8. The Department has prepared draft letters for the Minister's signature (Attachment 5). It is recommended that these be provided to each of the nine school principals and P&C presidents by the Regional Director immediately prior to the Minister's announcement.
- 9. Community consultation around proposed school closures is a requirement under the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006* and the *School Viability Assessment* procedure.

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- 10. As detailed in the procedure and the attached process map (Attachment 6), community consultation should occur during Terms 2 and 3 before the Minister makes a decision about whether or not a school should permanently close.
- 11. The Department will engage the services of an external contractor to act as an independent consultant to lead and manage the consultation process in the nine affected school communities.
- 12. The independent consultant will be required to manage the consultation process and present a detailed report outlining the findings of the consultation for each school community.
- 13. The Department will then consider the consultant's findings prior to making any recommendations to the Minister about which schools should be considered for permanent closure.

#### Implications

- 14. The Department's Infrastructure Strategy, Research and Performance (ISRP) unit is in the process of securing the services of an external contractor to lead the community consultation process in the nine school communities.
- 15. The tender process will close on Thursday 2 May 2013, with a successful tenderer expected to be selected as a matter of priority prior to any announcement.
- 16. ISRP has consulted with and obtained feedback from the Community Engagement and Partnerships branch in the preparation of the draft media release and all other communications materials associated with the 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.
- 17. Draft holding lines for each school proposed for closure have been prepared containing detailed information which may be useful in responding to media and constituent enquiries during the consultation process (Attachment 7).
- 18. Although the Minister has approved the *School Viability Assessment* procedure, it is yet to be uploaded to the Policy and Procedure Register on the Department's website.
- 19. The Office of Education Queensland was consulted in the development of the School Viability Assessment procedure, along with other key stakeholder groups such as the Queensland Teachers' Union, principals associations, Isolated Children's Parents' Association and P&Cs Queensland.
- 20. It is recommended these stakeholder groups be provided with a copy of the approved procedure documents prior to being uploaded to the Department's website and the Minister's announcement of the nine proposed school closures.
- 21. In the event that the Minister ultimately approves any of the schools for closure following the community consultation period, primary and secondary schools would close at the end of 2013. As part of this consideration, the Minister may choose to allow current senior students the opportunity to finish their schooling at their current school with their peers.

#### Background

- 22. Each year the Department conducts an assessment of school utilisation and viability as part of its strategic asset management process.
- 23. In accordance with the School Viability Assessment procedure, the Department has identified nine for proposed closure under the 2013 *School Viability Assessment.*

#### **Right to information**

24. I am of the view that the contents or attachments contained in this brief **are not suitable** for publication until such time as the Minister has approved the proposed school closures.

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#### Recommendation

That the Minister:

- endorse the viability thresholds used to identify the schools for proposed closure in line with the criteria in the School Viability Assessment procedure (Attachment 2);
- approve the nine schools identified for proposed closure under the School Viability Assessment procedure (Attachment 1);
- approve the Government Gazette notice to advertise the proposed school closures and commencement of community consultation process (Attachment 4);
- note the Department's process map which summarises the School Viability Assessment consultation process for 2013 (Attachment 6);
- approve and sign the letters to relevant key stakeholders to inform them of the proposed school closures and commencement of community consultation (Attachment 5);
- note the draft media release to announce the proposed school closures and commencement of community consultation process (Attachment 3); and,
- **note** the draft holding lines containing detailed information regarding the schools proposed for closure which may be useful in responding to media and constituent enquiries during the consultation process (**Attachment 7**).

#### NOTED

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#### Minister's comments

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#### Group 2 B

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Notes Destination schools are indicative only. Further analysis is required to select the most appropriate destination schools and determine the facilities implications. File A - Document 29 of 93

Enrolment figures use August census figures for 2009-2012 and preliminary Day 8 figures for 2013

# DETE School Viability Assessment Analysis Threshold Recommendations for Minister Consideration

		DETE recommended Threshold for			Minister approved Thresholds
	Groups	Ministers consideration /determination	No.	Number Approved	Reasons
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	Provincial	150 students or	50		Student Numbers(RSN) Schools identified have: • Lowest 5 year average enrolments • Close to a major provincial city • Have not been affected by range of natural disasters over last 3 years • Been strategically selected when
PRIMARY SCHOOLS	primary schools		12		neighbouring schools both meet thresholds Remaining provincial primary schools not considered for 2013 because: o communities require greater demand mapping to determine future need within surrounding community
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	Rural and remote primary schools	15 students or less	16	0	Not considered for 2013 as government is committed to developing a four pillar economy, and these schools are needed to support our regional and agricultural communities.
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	Rural and remote primary schools	5 students or less	4	0	Not considered for 2013 as government is committed to developing a four pillar economy, and these schools are needed to support our regional and agricultural communities.
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Note - all enrolments are based on five year average

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# School Viability Assessment

# Draft media release

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## CONSULTATION TO DECIDE VIABILITY OF EIGHT QUEENSLAND SCHOOLS

Three Queensland state high schools and six state primary schools have been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure following a Departmental assessment of school viability.

Minister for Education, Training and Employment, John-Paul Langbroek today announced that community consultation would take place during Terms 2 and 3 to determine if the schools should ultimately close or remain open.

Mr Langbroek said the schools identified for proposed closure in the 2013 *School Viability Assessment* process were – Charlton State School, Coorparoo Secondary College, Everton Park State High School, Fortitude Valley State School, Nyanda State High School, Old Yarranlea State School, Stuart State School, Toowoomba South State School and Wyreema State School.

"The decision to close a school is never easy and certainly not made lightly, and members of the identified school communities will have an opportunity to have their say," Mr Langbroek said.

"The department has engaged an independent consultant to work with each of these school communities over the coming months to investigate the ongoing viability and educational opportunities in each of these communities.

"I understand that many members of these school communities will be concerned by the news that their schools have been identified as candidates for proposed closure.

"However, the Queensland Government has a responsibility to ensure that we are providing the very best education options for every student in every corner of the state.

"My Department has a long-standing practice of assessing the viability of its state schools, because it has a responsibility to ensure these important community assets are operated efficiently and appropriately utilised.

"The Queensland Government is committed to ensuring that education service delivery across this great state is the very best it can be.

"With almost 10,000 additional students in state schools this year, there is an urgent need to ensure that our schools are in places where they are most needed.



'If we are going to be able to build new schools like Mackay Northern Beaches State High School and Pimpama State Secondary College that opened this year, we need to manage our existing assets better so that all students can access a high quality education.

"My Department consulted with key stakeholders in developing the School Viability Assessment procedure to ensure it was fair and would best meet the needs of Queensland school communities.

"The former Government suspended the previous procedure in 2010 and so there hasn't been a formal process for assessing school viability for some time," Mr Langbroek said.

"No decisions have been made about the future of these schools.

"Decisions about school closures will not be made until September, when the findings of the community consultation process have been reviewed.

"Without pre-empting any decision, I would like to reassure communities that should a school be approved to close, students would be offered additional support to transition to their new schools.

"Financial assistance would include uniform and transport allowances, where applicable."

For more information please visit <u>www.education.gld.gov.au</u>

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Department of Education, Training and Employment

# School Viability Assessment

# Government gazette notice

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## PROPOSED SCHOOL CLOSURES NOTICE

Education (General Provisions) Act 2006

Under s.18 of the *Education (General Provision) Act 2006,* the following schools are proposed for closure:

Schools proposed for closure	Region	Contact details
<ul> <li>Everton Park State High School</li> <li>Fortitude Valley State School</li> <li>Old Yarranlea State School</li> <li>Nyanda State High School</li> </ul>	Metropolitan	Mr Chris Rider Regional Director Metropolitan Region Ph: 3422 8352 E: <u>metroexecservices@dete.qld.gov.au</u>
<ul> <li>Charlton State School</li> <li>Toowoomba South State School</li> <li>Wyreema State School</li> </ul>	Darling Downs South West	Ms Deb Dunstone Regional Director Darling Downs South West Region Ph: 4616 9111 E: julie.althous@dete.qld.gov.au
Stuart State School	North Queensland	Mr Richard English Regional Director North Queensland Region Ph: 4726 3111 E: <u>northqueensland.regionoffice@dete.qld.gov.au</u>

Consultation regarding these proposed school closures has now commenced. Members of the school communities, including school councils and parents and citizens' associations, are invited to contact the relevant Regional Director for further information.

JOHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment





## 3 MAY 2013

Mr Paul Antonio Mayor Toowoomba Regional Council PO Box 3021, Toowoomba Village Fair TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350 Level 22 Education House 30 Mary Street Brisbane 4000 PO Box 15033 City East Queensland 4002 Australia Telephone +617 3237 1000 Facsimile +617 3211 8011 Email education@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Dear Mayor Paul,

I am writing to inform you that Toowoomba South State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 School Viability Assessment.

It is important to understand that this does not mean Toowoomba South State School will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Toowoomba South State School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
- Accessibility (e.g. access/proximity to nearby schools or alternative education programs)
- Curriculum (e.g. extent of the school's curriculum and its ability to access suitable education resources)
- Resourcing equity (e.g. cost per student per annum and comparison with other state schools)

I recognise that each school is unique and that an analysis conducted centrally does not provide the full picture of a school and its community. This is why, in line with the DETE School Viability and Assessment procedure and the requirements of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, there will be a period of community consultation to further investigate the school's unique issues and circumstances and the ongoing viability of the school. In 2013, the Department has appointed an independent consultant to lead and manage the community consultation process.

I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made. As the Mayor of Toowoomba, I encourage you to take part in this consultation process.

The Darling Downs South West Regional Director, Ms Deb Dunstone, will work closely with the Principal and P&C president of Toowoomba South School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, please contact Ms Dunstone on 4616 9122 or by email at <u>deborah.dunstone@dete.gld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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JOHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment



## 3 MAY 2013

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Dear Councillor Wyndham / Norm,

I am writing to inform you that Everton Park State High School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean Everton Park State High School will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Everton Park State High School meets the criteria within the DETE School Viability Assessment procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
- Accessibility (e.g. access/proximity to nearby schools or alternative education programs)
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I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made. As Councillor for McDowall Ward, I encourage you take to part in this consultation process.

The Metropolitan Regional Director, Mr Chris Rider, will work closely with the Principal, the Parents and Citizens Association President of Everton Park State High School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, I invite you to contact Mr Rider on telephone 3422 8352 or by email at Chris.Rider@dete.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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JOHN-PAUL LANGBROEKWP Minister for Education, Training and Employment



3 MAY 2013

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Dear Councillor Howard Vichi,

I am writing to inform you that Fortitude Valley State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department's 2013 *School Viability Assessment.* 

It is important to understand that this does not mean your school will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Fortitude Valley State School meets the criteria within the *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
- Accessibility (e.g. access/proximity to nearby schools or alternative education programs)
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I recognise that each school is unique and that an analysis conducted centrally does not provide the full picture of a school and its community. This is why, in line with the procedure and the requirements of the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006*, there will be a period of community consultation to fully investigate your school's unique issues and circumstances and the ongoing viability of the school. In 2013, the Department has appointed an independent consultant to lead and manage the community consultation process during Terms 2 and 3.

I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made.

As the Councillor for Central Ward, I encourage you take to part in this consultation process.

The Metropolitan Regional Director, Mr Chris Rider, will work closely with the Principal and Parents and Citizens Association President of Fortitude Valley State School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, I invite you to contact Mr Rider on 3422 8352 or <u>Chris.Rider@dete.gld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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OHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment



## 3 MAY 2013

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Dear Mayor Bill,

I am writing to inform you that Stuart State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department's 2013 School Viability Assessment.

It is important to understand that this does not mean your school will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Stuart State School meets the criteria within the School Viability Assessment procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
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I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made.

As the Mayor of Burdekin, I encourage you take to part in this consultation process.

The North Queensland Regional Director, Mr Richard English, will work closely with the Principal and P&C president of Stuart State School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, please contact Mr English on 4726 3105 or richard.english@dete.gld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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OHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment



## 3 MAY 2013

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Dear Minister Jun,

I am writing to inform you that Everton Park State High School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean Everton Park State High School will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Everton Park State High School meets the criteria within the DETE School Viability Assessment procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

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I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made. As the Member for Everton, I encourage you to take part in this consultation process.

The Metropolitan Regional Director, Mr Chris Rider, will work closely with the Principal, the Parents and Citizens Association President of Everton Park State High School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, I invite you to contact Mr Rider on telephone 3422 8352 or by email at Chris.Rider@dete.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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JOHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP<sup>V</sup> Minister for Education, Training and Employment



## 3 MAY 2013

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gar, Dear Minister

I am writing to inform you that Old Yarranlea State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean Old Yarranlea State School will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Old Yarranlea State School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
- Accessibility (e.g. access/proximity to nearby schools or alternative education programs)
- Curriculum (e.g. extent of the school's curriculum and its ability to access suitable education resources)
- Resourcing equity (e.g. cost per student per annum and comparison with other state schools)

I recognise that each school is unique and that an analysis conducted centrally does not provide the full picture of a school and its community. This is why, in line with the DETE School Viability and Assessment procedure and the requirements of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, there will be a period of community consultation to further investigate the school's unique issues and circumstances and the ongoing viability of the school. In 2013, the Department has appointed an independent consultant to lead and manage the community consultation process.

I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made. As the Member for Mansfield, I encourage you to take part in this consultation process.

The Metropolitan Regional Director, Mr Chris Rider, will work closely with the Principal, the Parents and Citizens Association President of Old Yarranlea State School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, I invite you to contact Mr Rider on 3422 8352 or by email at <u>Chris.Rider@dete.qld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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JOHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment



3 MAY 2013

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Dear Counciller Adams Krista.

Councillor Krista Adams

I am writing to inform you that Old Yarranlea State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department's 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean your school will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Old Yarranlea State School meets the criteria within the *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
- Accessibility (e.g. access/proximity to nearby schools or alternative education programs)
- Curriculum (e.g. extent of the school's curriculum and its ability to access suitable education resources)
- Resourcing equity (e.g. cost per student per annum and comparison with other state schools)

I recognise that each school is unique and that an analysis conducted centrally does not provide the full picture of a school and its community. This is why, in line with the procedure and the requirements of the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006*, there will be a period of community consultation to fully investigate your school's unique issues and circumstances and the ongoing viability of the school. In 2013, the Department has appointed an independent consultant to lead and manage the community consultation process during Terms 2 and 3.

I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made.

As the Councillor for Wishart Ward, I encourage you take to part in this consultation process.

The Metropolitan Regional Director, Mr Chris Rider, will work closely with the Principal and Parents and Citizens president of Old Yarranlea State School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, I invite you to contact Mr Rider on 3422 8352 or <u>Chris.Rider@dete.gld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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3 MAY 2013

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Dear Councillor Abrahams Helen,

I am writing to inform you that Coorparoo Secondary College has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean Coorparoo Secondary College will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Coorparoo Secondary College meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

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I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made. As Councillor for the Gabba Ward, I encourage you to take part in this consultation process.

The Metropolitan Regional Director, Mr Chris Rider, will work closely with the Principal, the Parents and Citizens Association President of Coorparoo Secondary College and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, I invite you to contact Mr Rider on telephone 3422 8352 or by email at Chris.Rider@dete.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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## 3 MAY 2013

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**Dear Councillor Griffiths** 

I am writing to inform you that Nyanda State High School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department's 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean your school will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Nyanda State High School meets the criteria within the *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
- Accessibility (e.g. access/proximity to nearby schools or alternative education programs)
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- Resourcing equity (e.g. cost per student per annum and comparison with other state schools)

I recognise that each school is unique and that an analysis conducted centrally does not provide the full picture of a school and its community. This is why, in line with the procedure and the requirements of the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006*, there will be a period of community consultation to fully investigate your school's unique issues and circumstances and the ongoing viability of the school. In 2013, the Department has appointed an independent consultant to lead and manage the community consultation process during Terms 2 and 3.

I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made.

As the Councillor for Moorooka Ward, I encourage you take to part in this consultation process.

The Metropolitan Regional Director, Mr Chris Rider, will work closely with the Principal and Parents and Citizens Association President of Nyanda State High School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, I invite you to contact Mr Rider on 3422 8352 or <u>Chris.Rider@dete.gld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely 1 Langhoe

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3 MAY 2013

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Dear Mr Hopper

I am writing to inform you that Wyreema State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean Wyreema State School will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Wyreema State School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
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- Curriculum (e.g. extent of the school's curriculum and its ability to access suitable education resources)
- Resourcing equity (e.g. cost per student per annum and comparison with other state schools)

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I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made. As the Member for Condamine, I encourage you to take part in this consultation process.

The Darling Downs South West Regional Director, Ms Deborah Dunstone, will work closely with the Principal, the P&C president of Wyreema State School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, please contact Ms Dunstone on 4616 9122 or by email at <u>deborah.dunstone@dete.gld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Mr Hopper

I am writing to inform you that Charlton State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 School Viability Assessment.

It is important to understand that this does not mean Charlton State School will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Charlton State School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
- Accessibility (e.g. access/proximity to nearby schools or alternative education programs)
- Curriculum (e.g. extent of the school's curriculum and its ability to access suitable education resources)
- Resourcing equity (e.g. cost per student per annum and comparison with other state schools)

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I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made. As the Member for Condamine, I encourage you to take part in this consultation process.

The Darling Downs South West Regional Director, Ms Deb Dunstone, will work closely with the Principal, the P&C president of Charlton State School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, please contact Ms Dunstone on 4616 9122 or by email at <u>deborah.dunstone@dete.qld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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OHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment



3 MAY 2013

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Dear Mr Judge

I am writing to inform you that Nyanda State High School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment.* 

It is important to understand that this does not mean Nyanda State High School will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Nyanda State High School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

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I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made. As the Member for Yeerongpilly, I encourage you to take part in this consultation process.

The Metropolitan Regional Director, Mr Chris Rider, will work closely with the Principal and the P&C President of Nyanda State High School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, I invite you to contact Mr Rider on telephone 3422 8352 or by email at <u>Chris.Rider@dete.qld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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JOHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Wihister for Education, Training and Employment



Mr Roberto Cavallucci MP 3 MAY 2013 Member for Brisbane Central Unit 2 Hill House, 541 Boundary Street SPRING HILL QLD 4000

Dear Mr Cavallucci 106,

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I am writing to inform you that Fortitude Valley State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean Fortitude Valley State School will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Fortitude Valley State School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

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- Accessibility (e.g. access/proximity to nearby schools or alternative education programs)
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- Resourcing equity (e.g. cost per student per annum and comparison with other state schools)

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I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made. As the Member for Brisbane Central, I encourage you to take part in this consultation process.

The Metropolitan Regional Director, Mr Chris Rider, will work closely with the Principal, the Parents and Citizens Association President of Fortitude Valley State School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, I invite you to contact Mr Rider on telephone 3422 8352 or by email at <u>Chris.Rider@dete.qld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

JOHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment



3 MAY 2013

The Honourable Dr John McVeigh MP Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Member for Toowoomba South PO Box 3005 TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350

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Dear Minister

I am writing to inform you that Toowoomba South State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 School Viability Assessment.

It is important to understand that this does not mean Toowoomba South State School will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Toowoomba South State School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

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I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made. As the Member for Toowoomba South, I encourage you to take part in this consultation process.

The Darling Downs South West Regional Director, Ms Deborah Dunstone, will work closely with the Principal, the P&C president of Toowoomba South State School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, please contact Ms Dunstone by telephone on 4616 9122 or by email at <u>deborah.dunstone@dete.gld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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JOHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment



## 3 MAY 2013

Dear Ms Menkens

Ms Rosemary Menkens MP Member for Burdekin Shop 30 Centrepoint Arcade, Queen Street AYR QLD 4807

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I am writing to inform you that Stuart State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean Stuart State School will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Stuart State School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
- Accessibility (e.g. access/proximity to nearby schools or alternative education programs)
- Curriculum (e.g. extent of the school's curriculum and its ability to access suitable education resources)
- Resourcing equity (e.g. cost per student per annum and comparison with other state schools)

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I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made. As the Member for Burdekin, I encourage you to take part in this consultation process.

The North Queensland Regional Director, Mr Richard English, will work closely with the Principal and the P&C president of Stuart State School and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, please contact Mr English by telephone on 4726 3105 or by email at richard.english@dete.gld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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#### 3 MAY 2013

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Dear Mr Kaye Jan,

I am writing to inform you that Coorparoo Secondary College has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean Coorparoo Secondary College will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Coorparoo Secondary College meets the criteria within the DETE School Viability Assessment procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
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I can assure you, there are no pre-determined outcomes as part of this process. When the consultation has been completed, a decision regarding the school's long term future will be made. As Member for Greenslopes, I encourage you take to part in this consultation process.

The Metropolitan Regional Director, Mr Chris Rider, will work closely with the Principal and the Parents and Citizens Association President of Coorparoo Secondary College and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, I invite you to contact Mr Rider on 3422 8352 or <u>Chris.Rider@dete.gld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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3 MAY 2013

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#### Dear Mr Charlesworth

I am writing to inform you that Wyreema State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean your school will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Wyreema State School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

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I recognise that each school is unique and that an analysis conducted centrally does not provide the full picture of a school and its community. This is why, in line with the DETE School Viability Assessment procedure and the requirements of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, there will be a period of community consultation to further investigate your school's unique issues and circumstances and the ongoing viability of the school. In 2013, the Department has appointed an independent consultant to lead and manage the community consultation process.

As the President of the Wyreema State School Parents and Citizens' Association, it is very important that you have a say in how the consultation will take place in your school. I invite you to work with your Principal to develop a consultation plan to provide your school community with opportunities to contribute to this process. a suggested template has been provided.

When the consultation process has been completed, the Department will consider all information and make a recommendation for my consideration.

Your Regional Director, Ms Deborah Dunstone, will work closely with your Principal and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, please contact Ms Dunstone by telephone on 4616 9122 or by email at <u>deborah.dunstone@dete.qld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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## 3 MAY 2013

Ms Caroline Bennett President Toowoomba South State School Parents and Citizens' Association 158 James Street TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350 Level 22 Education House 30 Mary Street Brisbane 4000 PO Box 15033 City East Queensland 4002 Australia Telephone +61 7 3237 1000 Facsimile +61 7 3211 8011 Email education@ministerial.qld.gov.au

#### Dear Ms Bennett

I am writing to inform you that Toowoomba South State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean your school will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Toowoomba South State School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

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- Accessibility (e.g. access/proximity to nearby schools or alternative education programs)
- Curriculum (e.g. extent of the school's curriculum and its ability to access suitable education resources)
- Resourcing equity (e.g. cost per student per annum and comparison with other state schools)

I recognise that each school is unique and that an analysis conducted centrally does not provide the full picture of a school and its community. This is why, in line with the DETE School Viability Assessment procedure and the requirements of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, there will be a period of community consultation to further investigate your school's unique issues and circumstances and the ongoing viability of the school. In 2013, the Department has appointed an independent consultant to lead and manage the community consultation process.

As the President of the Toowoomba South State School Parents and Citizens' Association, it is very important that you have a say in how the consultation will take place in your school. I invite you to work with your Principal to develop a consultation plan to provide your school community with opportunities to contribute to this process. A suggested template has been provided.

When the consultation process has been completed, the Department will consider all information and make a recommendation for my consideration.

Your Regional Director, Ms Deborah Dunstone, will work closely with your Principal and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, please contact Ms Dunstone by telephone on 4616 9122 or by email at deborah.dunstone@dete.gld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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#### 3 MAY 2013

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Dear Mr Brock

I am writing to inform you that Everton Park State High School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 School Viability Assessment.

It is important to understand that this does not mean your school will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Everton Park State High School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
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Your Regional Director, Mr Chris Rider, will work closely with your Principal and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, I invite you to contact Mr Rider on telephone 3422 8352 or by email at <u>Chris.Rider@dete.qld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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## 3 MAY 2013

Mr Derek Orr President Parents and Citizens' Association Old Yarranlea State School 176 Messines Ridge Road MT GRAVATT QLD 4122 Level 22 Education House 30 Mary Street Brisbane 4000 PO Box 15033 City East Queensland 4002 Australia Telephone +61 7 3237 1000 Facsimile +61 7 3211 8011 Email education@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr Orr

I am writing to inform you that Old Yarranlea State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 School Viability Assessment.

It is important to understand that this does not mean your school will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Old Yarranlea State School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

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3 MAY 2013 Ms Ingrid Grant President Stuart State School Parents and Citizens' Association PO Box 8 WULGURU QLD 4811

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Dear Ms Grant

I am writing to inform you that Stuart State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment.* 

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As the President of the Stuart State School Parents and Citizens' Association, it is very important that you have a say in how the consultation will take place in your school. I invite you to work with your Principal to develop a consultation plan to provide your school community with opportunities to contribute to this process. A suggested template has been provided.

When the consultation process has been completed, the Department will consider all information and make a recommendation for my consideration.

Your Regional Director, Mr Richard English, will work closely with your Principal and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, please contact Mr English by telephone on 4726 3105 or by email at richard.english@dete.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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## 3 MAY 2013

Ms Marianne Burns President Parents and Citizens' Association Nyanda State High School Fairlie Terrace SALISBURY QLD 4107 Level 22 Education House 30 Mary Street Brisbane 4000 PO Box 15033 City East Queensland 4002 Australia Telephone +617 3237 1000 Facsimile +617 3211 8011 Email education@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Dear Ms Burns

I am writing to inform you that Nyanda State High School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

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As the President of the Nyanda State High School Parents and Citizens' Association, it is very important that you have a say in how the consultation will take place in your school. I invite you to work with your Principal to develop a consultation plan to provide your school community with opportunities to contribute to this process. A suggested template has been provided.

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Yours sincerely

JOHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment



Ms Margie Gamble 3 MAY 2013 President Parents and Citizens' Association Coorparoo Secondary College PO Box 1225 COORPAROO DC QLD 4153

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Dear Ms Gamble

I am writing to inform you that Coorparoo Secondary College has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

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As the President of the Coorparoo Secondary College Parents and Citizens' Association, it is very important that you have a say in how the consultation will take place in your school. I invite you to work with your Principal to develop a consultation plan to provide your school community with opportunities to contribute to this process. A suggested template has been provided.

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## 3 MAY 2013

Mr Tony Holcroft President Parents and Citizens' Association Fortitude Valley State School 85 Brookes Street FORTITUDE VALLEY QLD 4006 Level 22 Education House 30 Mary Street Brisbane 4000 PO Box 15033 City East Queensland 4002 Australia **Telephone +61 7 3237 1000** Facsimile +61 7 3211 8011 Email education@ministerial.qld.gov.au

#### Dear Mr Holcroft

I am writing to inform you that Fortitude Valley State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

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As the President of the Fortitude Valley State School Parents and Citizens' Association, it is very important that you have a say in how the consultation will take place in your school. I invite you to work with your Principal to develop a consultation plan to provide your school community with opportunities to contribute to this process. A suggested template has been provided.

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Yours sincerely

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#### 3 MAY 2013

Mr Alan Calvert President Charlton State School Parents and Citizens' Association 10834 Warrego Highway TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350

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#### Dear Mr Calvert

I am writing to inform you that Charlton State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

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Yours sincerely OHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP

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3 MAY 2013

Ms Roslyn Parkes Principal Coorparoo Secondary College PO Box 1225 COORPAROO DC QLD 4153

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los Dear Ms Parkes

I am writing to inform you that Coorparoo Secondary College has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

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Yours sincerely

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3 MAY 2013

Ms Sandra Tetzlaff Principal Wyreema State School MS 499 TOOWOOMBA MC QLD 4352

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Dear Ms Tetzlaff Jandra,

I am writing to inform you that Wyreema State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 School Viability Assessment.

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Yours sincerely

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Ms Sue Wallace Principal Everton Park State High School PO Box 33 EVERTON PARK QLD 4053 Level 22 Education House 30 Mary Street Brisbane 4000 PO Box 15033 City East Queensland 4002 Australia Telephone +61 7 3237 1000 Facsimile +61 7 3211 8011 Email education@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Dear Ms Wattace / Le

I am writing to inform you that Everton Park State High School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment.* 

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Yours sincerely

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3 MAY 2013

Ms Allison Greenaway Principal Stuart State School PO Box 8 WULGURU QLD 4811 Level 22 Education House 30 Mary Street Brisbane 4000 PO Box 15033 City East Queensland 4002 Australia Telephone +61 7 3237 1000 Facsimile +61 7 3211 8011 Email education@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Dear Ms Greenaway allison,

I am writing to inform you that Stuart State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

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Yours sincerely l Langhoe

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3 MAY 2013

Miss Cathryn Lavelle Principal Charlton State School 10834 Warrego Highway TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350

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Dear Misstavelle Cathyn,

I am writing to inform you that Charlton State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 School Viability Assessment.

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Yours sincerely

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3 MAY 2013

Mr David Gordon Principal Toowoomba South State School 158 James Street TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350 Level 22 Education House 30 Mary Street Brisbane 4000 PO Box 15033 City East Queensland 4002 Australia Telephone +61 7 3237 1000 Facsimile +61 7 3211 8011 Email education@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr Gordon David,

I am writing to inform you that Toowoomba South State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment.* 

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3 MAY 2013

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Dear Ms Mokenna Juna,

I am writing to inform you that Nyanda State High School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

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JOHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment



3 MAY 2013

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Dear Mr Wright Mark,

I am writing to inform you that Old Yarranlea State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 *School Viability Assessment*.

It is important to understand that this does not mean your school will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Old Yarranlea State School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

- Enrolments (e.g. a history and projection of low/declining student numbers)
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- Curriculum (e.g. extent of the school's curriculum and its ability to access suitable education resources)
- Resourcing equity (e.g. cost per student per annum and comparison with other state schools)

I recognise that each school is unique and that an analysis conducted centrally does not provide the full picture of a school and its community. This is why, in line with the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure and the requirements of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, there will be a period of community consultation to further investigate your school's unique issues and circumstances and the ongoing viability of the school. In 2013, the Department has appointed an independent consultant to lead and manage the community consultation process.

It is very important that you have a say in how the consultation will take place in your school. I ask you to work with your P&C president to develop a consultation plan and a suggested template has been provided. This consultation plan will inform the independent consultant on the best way to coordinate the process for your school community.

When the consultation process has been completed, the Department will consider all information and make a recommendation for my consideration.

Your Regional Director, Mr Chris Rider, will work closely with you and the independent consultant during the consultation period. Should you require further information, I invite you to contact Mr Rider on telephone 3422 8352 or by email at <u>Chris.Rider@dete.gld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Mr Branch Munny,

I am writing to inform you that Fortitude Valley State School has been identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure as part of the Department of Education, Training and Employment's (DETE) 2013 School Viability Assessment.

It is important to understand that this does not mean your school will automatically close at the end of this year. It means that Fortitude Valley State School meets the criteria within the DETE *School Viability Assessment* procedure to be nominated for proposed closure and for community consultation to occur. The criteria for determining whether or not a school is viable are as follows:

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**DETE Process map** 

RIM Ref: 13/143351

EARLY MAY	a) Minister approves schools for proposed closure and community consultation	
	b) Independent consultant appointed to lead & manage consultation process	Friday 3 May
	c) Preparation of Ministerial correspondence to key stakeholders - MPs, local	Friday 3 May
	Mayors/Councillors, Principals and P&C Presidents/School Council representative	

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	a) DDG EQ and/or Representative telephones stakeholder groups – Presidents P&Cs Queensland, ICPA, QTU and principals' associations – to advise them of the schools proposed for closure	Wednesday 8 May	
	<ul> <li>b) Regional Directors and independent consultant: <ol> <li>Meet with Principal of affected schools to deliver Minister's letters, discuss the proposed closure and initiate development of consultation plans. Please note Regional Directors will need to phone Principals that moming to arrange times for meeting</li> <li>Post informing Principals, Regional Director contact P&amp;C President to inform of proposed closure and arrange meeting to develop Consultation Plan.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>		
	c) Ministerial correspondence mailed to relevant MPs, local Mayors/ Councillors, Principal and P&C President	Wednesday 8 May	
	d) Advance Media Briefing	ТВА	
	e) Upload School Viability Assessment procedure to web overnight	8/9 May	
	f) ISRP email link to key stakeholders following morning	9 May	
	g) Minister announces proposed school closures	Thursday 9 May	
	h) Independent consultant discusses Consultation Plans with each school (via telephone or face to face) and identifies initial community meeting time for following week	Friday 10 May	
	i) Principal advises school community via letter (template provided) regarding consultation for proposed closure, including date and time of initial community meeting	Friday 10 May / Monday 13 May	
	j) Community Meeting – Regional Director and Consultant to attend with ISRP. Representative for Metro schools	Week beginning 13 May	
	k) Infrastructure Services Branch (ISB) advertises proposed school closures in the Government Gazette	Week beginning 20 May	

MAY-AUG	Community consultation occurs	
EARLY SEP	a) Independent consultant delivers report outlining the findings of each community consultation	
	b) DETE makes recommendations to the Minister regarding school closures, based on the consultant's findings	
END SEP	Minister makes decision on school closures and announces these outcomes	
OCT-DEC	Regional Directors assist schools to prepare for closure and transition students and staff to new schools. Primary schools will close on last day of Term 4 2013. Secondary schools will continue transition planning and close on last day of Term 4 2014	And Section Sector



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# Holding lines Everton Park State High School

TRIM Ref: 13/143196

## **Metropolitan Region**

- Everton Park State High School has been proposed for closure in line with the School Viability Assessment criteria, in particular the enrolment and accessibility criteria.
- Community consultation will occur during Terms 2 and 3 to identify and investigate any local and unique circumstances that may lead to the school remaining open.
- There are no predetermined outcomes in the consultation process.
- The school has experienced low and declining enrolments for many years. For example, between Day 8 2007 and Day 8 2013, enrolments dropped from 305 students to 258 students.
- Very little growth is anticipated at the school over the medium to long term, even with the introduction of Year 7 in 2015.
- With 258 students enrolled in 2013 and a capacity to accommodate almost 1100 students, the school's current utilisation rate is around 21%.
- Of the 736 state school students who live close to Everton Park State High School, only 110 students actually attend the school.
- That means more than 80% of students in the catchment area for Everton Park State High School are already choosing to go to another state school.
- There are three (3) alternative state high schools within 5km of Everton Park State High School. These are Craigslea State High School, Kedron State High School and Mitchelton State High School.
- Should the school be approved to close, any additional infrastructure needs at neighbouring schools would be addressed accordingly.
- Any closure of a secondary school would take place over a two year period, allowing senior students to complete their studies without the disruption of changing schools.
- If a decision to close a school is made, we will work with staff and students to ensure a smooth transition.



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## Background

Two (2) secondary schools and two (2) primary schools in the Metropolitan region have been approved to proceed to consultation for proposed closure: Everton Park State High School, Nyanda State High School, Fortitude Valley State School and Old Yarranlea State School.

Community consultation will occur in these schools during Terms 2 and 3 to identify and investigate any local and unique circumstances that may lead to a school remaining open. There are no predetermined outcomes in the consultation process.



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# Holding lines Nyanda State High School

TRIM Ref: 13/143196

Metropolitan Region

- Nyanda State High School has been proposed for closure in line with the School Viability Assessment criteria, in particular the enrolment and accessibility criteria.
- Community consultation will occur during Terms 2 and 3 to identify and investigate any local and unique circumstances that may lead to the school remaining open.
- There are no predetermined outcomes in the consultation process.
- Nyanda State High School has experienced a steady decline in enrolments over the past five years, dropping from 439 students on Day 8 2008 to 297 students on Day 8 2013.
- With 297 students enrolled in 2013 and a capacity to accommodate almost 700 students, the school has a utilisation rate of 43%.
- Over the past five years, Nyanda State School has experienced declining student numbers within its catchment, with this trend expected to continue in the medium to long term.
- Of the 834 state school students who live close to Nyanda State High School, only 175 students actually attend the school.
- That means almost 80% of students in the catchment area for Nyanda State High School are already choosing to go to another state school.
- There is one (1) alternative state high school within 5km of Nyanda State High School and four (4) within 7km. These are Yeronga State High School, Corinda State High School, Holland Park State High School, MacGregor State High School and Sunnybank State High School respectively.
- There are three (3) alternative state high schools within a reasonable distance from Nyanda State High School. These are Brisbane State High School, Cavendish Road State High School and Mount Gravatt State High School
- Should the school be approved to close, any additional infrastructure needs at neighbouring schools would be addressed accordingly.
- Any closure of a secondary school would take place over a two year period, allowing senior students to complete their studies without the disruption of changing schools.
- If a decision to close a school is made, we will work with staff and students to ensure a smooth transition.



## Background

Two (2) secondary schools and two (2) primary schools in the Metropolitan region have been approved to proceed to consultation for proposed closure: Everton Park State High School, Nyanda State High School, Fortitude Valley State School and Old Yarranlea State School.

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# Holding lines Fortitude Valley State School

TRIM Ref: 13/143196

**Metropolitan Region** 

- Fortitude Valley State School has been proposed for closure in line with the School Viability Assessment criteria, in particular the enrolment and accessibility criteria.
- Community consultation will occur during Terms 2 and 3 to identify and investigate any local and unique circumstances that may lead to the school remaining open.
- There are no predetermined outcomes in the consultation process.
- Over the past five years Fortitude Valley State School has experienced a relatively low enrolment count and enrolments are predicted to decline for the medium to long term.
- With 56 students enrolled in 2013 and a capacity to accommodate up to 91 students, the school has a utilisation rate of 61%.
- Of the 48 state school students who live close to Fortitude Valley State School, only 18 students actually attend the school.
- That means more than 60% of students in the catchment area for Fortitude Valley State School are already choosing to go to another state school.
- There are five (5) alternative state schools within 5km of Fortitude Valley State School. These are Ascot State School, Brisbane Centre State School, Kelvin Grove State College, New Farm State School and Windsor State School.
- Should the school be approved to close, any additional infrastructure needs at neighbouring schools would be addressed accordingly.
- If a decision to close a school is made, we will work with staff and students to ensure a smooth transition.

# Background

Two (2) secondary schools and two (2) primary schools in the Metropolitan region have been approved to proceed to consultation for proposed closure: Everton Park State High School, Nyanda State High School, Fortitude Valley State School and Old Yarranlea State School.

Community consultation will occur in these schools during Terms 2 and 3 to identify and investigate any local and unique circumstances that may lead to a school remaining open. There are no predetermined outcomes in the consultation process.



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# Holding lines Old Yarranlea State School

TRIM Ref: 13/143196

**Metropolitan Region** 

- Old Yarranlea State School has been proposed for closure in line with the School Viability Assessment criteria, in particular the enrolment and accessibility criteria.
- Community consultation will occur during Terms 2 and 3 to identify and investigate any local and unique circumstances that may lead to the school remaining open.
- There are no predetermined outcomes in the consultation process.
- Old Yarranlea State School was originally established as a training school for prospective one teacher school Principals and as a result enrolments have always been capped at 18 students. That model is now dated and the Department has a range of strategies to develop aspiring teaching Principals other than placing them at Old Yarranlea State School.
- Old Yarranlea State School is located within the Mount Gravatt campus of Griffith University, and as such does not have its own catchment boundary like other state schools.
- This means all 18 students enrolled at Old Yarranlea State School live within another state school catchment area.
- There are five (5) alternative state schools within 5km of Old Yarranlea State School. These are Greenslopes State School, Holland Park State School, Marshall Road State School, Mount Gravatt State School and Robertson State School.
- Should the school be approved to close, any additional infrastructure needs at neighbouring schools would be addressed accordingly.
- If a decision to close a school is made, we will work with staff and students to ensure a smooth transition.

# Background

Two (2) secondary schools and two (2) primary schools in the Metropolitan region have been approved to proceed to consultation for proposed closure: Everton Park State High School, Nyanda State High School, Fortitude Valley State School and Old Yarranlea State School.

Community consultation will occur in these schools during Terms 2 and 3 to identify and investigate any local and unique circumstances that may lead to a school remaining open. There are no predetermined outcomes in the consultation process.



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# Holding lines Stuart State School

TRIM Ref: 13/143196

North Queensland Region

- Stuart State School has been proposed for closure in line with the School Viability Assessment criteria, in particular the enrolment and accessibility criteria.
- Community consultation will occur during Terms 2 and 3 to identify and investigate any local and unique circumstances that may lead to the school remaining open.
- There are no predetermined outcomes in the consultation process.
- Over the past five years Stuart State School has experienced a relatively low enrolment count, with an average five year enrolment of 75 students.
- Enrolments are predicted to drop in 2014, with the downward trend expected to continue for the medium to long term.
- With 88 students enrolled in 2013 and a capacity to accommodate more than 350 students, the school has a utilisation rate of around 25%.
- Stuart State School has experienced declining student numbers within its catchment over the past five years and this trend is expected to continue in the medium to long term.
- Of the 255 state school students who live close to Stuart State School, only 65 students actually attend the school.
- That means almost 75% of students in the catchment area for Stuart State School are already choosing to go to another state school.
- There is one (1) alternative state school within 5km of Stuart State School, with sufficient capacity to manage any increase in enrolments should the school be approved for closure. There are another three (3) alternative state schools within 10km of Stuart State School. These are Wulguru State School, Annandale State School, Mundingburra State School and Oonoonba State School respectively.
- Should the school be approved to close, any additional infrastructure needs at neighbouring schools would be addressed accordingly.
- If a decision to close a school is made, we will work with staff and students to ensure a smooth transition.



\* Figures have been updated to reflect 2013 resident student data.

## Background

Only one (1) school in the North Queensland region has been approved to proceed to consultation for proposed closure: Stuart State School.

Community consultation will occur in these schools during Terms 2 and 3 to identify and investigate any local and unique circumstances that may lead to a school remaining open. There are no predetermined outcomes in the consultation process.





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# Holding lines Charlton State School

TRIM Ref: 13/143196

# Darling Downs South West Region

- Charlton State School has been proposed for closure in line with the School Viability Assessment criteria, in particular the enrolment and accessibility criteria.
- Community consultation will occur during Terms 2 and 3 to identify and investigate any local and unique circumstances that may lead to the school remaining open.
- There are no predetermined outcomes in the consultation process.
- Over the past six years Charlton State School has experienced a relatively low and declining enrolment count. On Day 8 2007 there were 54 students enrolled compared to 32 students on Day 8 2013.
- Enrolments are predicted to remain at these low levels in the medium to long term.
- With 32 students enrolled in 2013 and a capacity to accommodate up to 70 students, the school has a utilisation rate of 45%.
- Charlton State School has experienced declining student numbers within its catchment over the past five years and this trend is expected to continue in the medium to long term.
- Of the 27 state school students who live close to Charlton State School, only 15 students actually attend the school.
- That means almost 60% of students in the catchment area for Charlton State School are already choosing to go to another state school.
- There is one (1) alternative state school within 5km of Charlton State School, and another two (2) within 10km. These are Wellcamp State School, Glenvale State School and Fairview Heights State School respectively.
- Should the school be approved to close, any additional infrastructure needs at neighbouring schools would be addressed accordingly.
- If a decision to close a school is made, we will work with staff and students to ensure a smooth transition.

## Background

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Three (3) primary schools in the Darling Downs South West region have been approved to proceed to consultation for proposed closure: Charlton State School, Toowoomba South State School and Wyreema State School.



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# Holding lines Toowoomba South State School

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## Darling Downs South West Region

- Toowoomba South State School has been proposed for closure in line with the School Viability Assessment criteria, in particular the enrolment and accessibility criteria.
- Community consultation will occur during Terms 2 and 3 to identify and investigate any local and unique circumstances that may lead to the school remaining open.
- There are no predetermined outcomes in the consultation process.
- Over the past five years Toowoomba South State School has experienced a relatively low and declining enrolment count. On Day 8 2008 there were 94 students enrolled compared to 70 students on Day 8 2013.
- Enrolments are predicted to remain at these relatively low levels for the medium to long term.
- With 70 students enrolled in 2013 and a capacity to accommodate up to 311 students, the school has a utilisation rate of 23%.
- Of the 378 state school students who live close to Toowoomba South State School, only 37 students actually attend the school.
- That means 90% of students in the catchment area for Toowoomba South State School are already choosing to go to another state school.
- There are eight (8) alternative state schools within 5km of Toowoomba South State School. These are Darling Heights State School, Gabbinbar State School, Harristown State School, Middle Ridge State School, Newtown State School, Rangeville State School, Toowoomba East State School, Toowoomba North State School.
- Should the school be approved to close, any additional infrastructure needs at neighbouring schools would be addressed accordingly.
- If a decision to close a school is made, we will work with staff and students to ensure a smooth transition.



## Background

Three (3) primary schools in the Darling Downs South West region have been approved to proceed to consultation for proposed closure: Charlton State School, Toowoonba South State School and Wyreema State School.

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# Holding lines Wyreema State School

TRIM Ref: 13/143196

Darling Downs South West Region

- Wyreema State School has been proposed for closure in line with the School Viability Assessment criteria, in particular the enrolment and accessibility criteria.
- Community consultation will occur during Terms 2 and 3 to identify and investigate any local and unique circumstances that may lead to the school remaining open.
- There are no predetermined outcomes in the consultation process.
- Over the past six years Wyreema State School has experienced a relatively low enrolment count, with a mostly downward trend. On Day 8 2007 there were 45 students enrolled, dropping to 40 students on Day 8 2013.
- Enrolments are predicted to remain at these relatively low levels for the medium to long term.
- With 40 students enrolled in 2013 and a capacity to accommodate up to 96 students, the school has a utilisation rate of 42%.
- Of the 161 state school students who live close to Wyreema State School, only 32 students actually attend the school.
- That means 80% of students in the catchment area for Wyreema State School are already choosing to go to another state school.
- There is one (1) alternative state school within 5km of Wyreema State School, and another two (2) schools within 10km. These are Vale view State School, Cambooya State School and Drayton State School respectively.
- Should the school be approved to close, any additional infrastructure needs at neighbouring schools would be addressed accordingly.
- If a decision to close a school is made, we will work with staff and students to ensure a smooth transition.

## Background

Three (3) primary schools in the Darling Downs South West region have been approved to proceed to consultation for proposed closure: Charlton State School, Toowoomba South State School and Wyreema State School.

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# **Briefing Note**

The Honourable John-Paul Langbroek MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment

## Action required: For approval

### Action required by: ASAP

**Critical** – in order to meet the Minister's commitment to inform the community of the outcome of his decision regarding this proposed school closure, in a timely manner.

# SUBJECT: CONSULTATION FINDINGS REGARDING VIABILITY OF NYANDA STATE HIGH SCHOOL

#### Summary of key objectives

- A report detailing the findings of the community consultation regarding the proposed closure of Nyanda State High School (SHS) has been compiled by independent consultants, JTA Australia, for the Minister's consideration (Attachment 1).
- The Department has reviewed the consultant's report regarding the viability of Nyanda SHS, prepared a summary of the findings and made a recommendation regarding the future of the school for the Minister's consideration (**Attachment 2**).
- The Minister is required to make a determination regarding the proposed closure of Nyanda SHS.

#### Key issues

- 1. In May 2013 the Minister approved eight state schools to proceed to community consultation regarding proposed closure, as a result of the Department's 2013 School Viability Assessment process.
- These schools were Charlton State School, Everton Park State High School, Fortitude Valley State School, Nyanda State High School, Old Yarranlea State School, Stuart State School, Toowoomba South State School and Wyreema State School.
- 3. As is required under the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006* (the Act), the Minister approved the gazettal of these proposed school closures. The public notice was published in the Government Gazette on 10 May 2013.
- 4. Community consultation is also a requirement under the Act.
- 5. The Department engaged an independent consultant, JTA Australia, to lead and manage the consultation process in each school community.
- 6. The consultation period ran from 3 May 2013 until 26 July 2013, with a total of seven consultation meetings held in the Nyanda SHS community with key stakeholders and interest groups.
- 7. Community members were also invited to submit written submissions to a departmental email address (nyandashs@dete.qld.gov.au), or to the consultant's designated email address (submissions@jtaa.com.au).
- 8. A total of 133 written submissions were received as part of the consultation process for Nyanda SHS.
- 9. The majority of written submissions expressed opposition to the proposed closure of Nyanda SHS.

- 10. JTA Australia submitted a consultation report regarding Nyanda SHS to the Department for the Minister's consideration on 2 August 2013.
- 11. As per the attached Summary of Consultation Findings (Attachment 2), the key issues identified during the consultation were:
  - Demographic changes indicate future enrolment growth;
  - Concern of increased "drop out" rate if school closes;
  - Range of individual support and curriculum programs Nyanda SHS provides for full range of students;
  - Travel distance to neighbouring schools.
- 12. The Department considers that these issues can be addressed, as outlined below and in Attachment 2:
  - Only a small portion of the Nyanda SHS catchment is zoned for residential use, with no Brisbane City Council plans to increase residential zoning;
  - Individual student transition plans for each student will assist with transitioning to a new school. Additional Guidance Officer and support staff will be allocated to Nyanda SHS to support student transition;
  - Alternative local schools offer comprehensive support and curriculum programs, with students selecting from a diverse range of academic and vocational subjects, which will meet the needs and talents of students from Nyanda SHS to provide a wide range of pathways;
  - Public transport options exist for students within the Nyanda SHS catchment to access nearby state high schools.
- 13. On 6 August 2013 an e-petition by Mr Carl Judge MP, containing 141 signatures was tabled with the Clerk of Parliament opposing the proposed closure of Nyanda SHS. As this petition was received after 26 July, it has not been considered in the Consultant's Report. However, issues raised within the petition have been identified through other submissions that did form part of the consultant's report.

#### Communications

- 14. If a decision is made to close Nyanda SHS a range of resources, including Guidance Officers, will be made available to support students, parents and staff.
- 15. A communications plan has been developed and communications materials are being prepared to support an announcement regarding the decision on the proposed school closure.

#### **Financial implications**

- 16. Should the Minister approve Nyanda SHS for closure, all current students at the time of the announcement (excluding students completing Year 12) would be eligible for a one-off *uniform allowance* of \$550 for their new school.
- 17. The Department would support current students and families, if required, by subsidising the difference in *Student Resource Hire Scheme* fees for <u>a one-year period</u>, in cases where the destination school's fees are higher than their current school.
- 18. The Assistant Director-General Finance and Chief Finance Officer will develop an appropriate internal process to facilitate:
  - the distribution/allocation of funds for uniforms to eligible parents and families by the end of October; and

 if the Student Resource Hire Scheme is higher at the destination school, the difference will be discounted at the time when parents/guardians join the scheme at the new school (for the initial year only).

#### Transport Assistance

- 19. *Travel allowances* would also be available to eligible students (where applicable) through the Department of Transport and Main Roads' School Transport Assistance Scheme (STAS).
- 20. Under this scheme, state secondary students who live more than 4.8km from their nearest secondary school, are eligible for a distance-based transport subsidy. Financially disadvantaged students (who live within these distances) may also be eligible for further STAS allowances.
- 21. If the distance to the nearest school is less than 3.2km, students will not be eligible for the transport subsidy.
- 22. Also, it should be noted that students, who choose a destination school which is not within their revised catchment area, may not be eligible for the STAS allowance as this subsidy is provided for students to access their closest state school.
- 23. Regions, affected schools and destination schools will be provided with revised catchment maps to assist students and families to identify the appropriate school for each student.

#### Student Support & Transition

- 24. Education Queensland has developed a template for Individual Student Transition Plans, for schools approved for closure.
- 25. Students and parents will be supported through the use of Individual Student Transition Plans to identify which school will best meet and support the student's educational needs.
- 26. It is anticipated that in most cases, the student will be able to enrol in their neighbouring school of choice. However, due to individual student schooling history, there may be a small number of students who will not be able to be accommodated at the school of their choice. In these cases, school staff will work with the student/family to negotiate enrolment in an alternative school.

#### Staff Support & Transition

- 27. The Assistant Director-General Human Resources is ensuring necessary communications and procedures are in place to assist school principals, teachers and other school staff through the provision of additional HR support in any school approved for closure, including additional guidance officer hours and Teacher Relief Scheme (TRS).
- 28. Regional Human Resource staff will work individually with all staff members through relocation/transfer and other staffing issues. The Employee Assistance Service (EAS) will also be available to staff.

#### Other

- 29. Should the Minister determine that Nyanda SHS will close, it is recommended the Minister write letters to key stakeholders to formally advise them of his decision, including the Principal, P&C Association President, State MP and local Councillor/Mayor. Draft template letters have been prepared for this purpose (Attachment 3).
- 30. If the Minister approves the closure of Nyanda SHS, the majority of neighbouring schools are underutilised so it is anticipated in these cases, no further facilities will be required. However, there will be a need to monitor student relocation enrolment choices as one neighbouring high school (Corinda SHS) has a limited building platform and could require

the provision of hire and/or relocatable facilities. The funding requirement is unknown at this time.

- 31. Should there be a requirement for additional facilities at Corinda SHS, relocatable or hire buildings could be delivered in time for the start of Term 1, 2014.
- 32. The Department has met the requirements of Chapter 2, Part 3 of the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006* to publish a notice about this proposed school closure in the Government Gazette and carry out adequate consultation, on behalf of the Minister, with the school community. Furthermore, should the school be approved for closure, it will occur more than six months from the publication of the proposed closure in the Government Gazette.
- 33. The Department has recently reviewed and revised its School Closure Checklist, a comprehensive document that outlines the various operational action items, roles and responsibilities associated with the closure of state schools. Should the Minister approve this school for closure, the School Closure Checklist will be distributed to relevant officers for completion.

#### Background

- 34. On 3 May 2013, the Minister for Education, Training and Employment announced that consultation would occur regarding the proposed closure of eight state schools, including Nyanda SHS.
- 35. The schools identified were proposed for closure in line with the criteria contained in the Department's School Viability Assessment procedure, in particular the enrolment and accessibility criteria.
- 36. Nyanda SHS has experienced low and declining enrolments for at least the past five years and relatively low enrolment numbers are anticipated in the medium to long term.
- 37. Yeronga SHS is located 5.3km from Nyanda SHS.

#### **Consultation summary**

- 38. The consultation report identified a strong community commitment to Nyanda SHS and a strong desire to keep the school open.
- 39. The report acknowledges the significant fundraising efforts of the P&C Association over recent years and the enhancements to the school that this has provided.
- 40. On balance, having regard for the criteria set out in the School Viability Assessment procedure, it is recommended that Nyanda SHS be **approved** for closure.

#### Right to information

41. I am of the view that the contents or attachments contained in this brief **are not suitable** for publication, except for the template letters.

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#### Recommendation

That the Minister:

**approve** the closure of Nyanda State High School from the end of Term 4, 2013; and **sign** the letters to relevant stakeholders.

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FIONA CRAWFORD Chief of Staff Office of the Hon John-Paul Langbroek MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment

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#### **Minister's comments**

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### Nyanda State High School – Summary of consultation findings and DETE response

Criteria 1. Enrolments	Common issues raised		DETE Res	ponse and :	Strategies		
L.1 Enrolment	Nil identified	• 5 year average enrolments – 345					
History		• Year 8 Day 8 (2013) enrolr					
		Total enrolments were 57	8 in 2005 and sin	ce then enre	olments hav	e declined to	297 students in
		2013.					
1.2 Forecasts	Demographic change – younger families moving into area	Although the Nyanda SHS	catchment is phy	sically large	e, only a sma	ll portion of	the catchment is
	Salisbury and surrounding suburbs identified as future	zoned for residential use. There are no current plans by Brisbane City Council to promote add					
	growth hot spots	or higher density develop					
	Capacity of other schools to accommodate Nyanda SHS	Moorooka and Acacia Ridg	-	-		-	
	students	only Low Density residential in the draft City Plan mapping. The areas of Low-Medium Density					
		residential in Moorooka a	-		-		City Plan. There are
		no areas zoned as Mediun					121
		Enrolments at Nyanda SHS	Capacity	decline from	1 297 IN 2013	3 to 289 in 20	]
		Centre name	including Flying Start capacity (2015)	2013 (enrolled)	2021 (projected)	2031 (projected)	
		Nyanda State High School	696	297	252	289	
		Capacity and projected en significant available capacien enrolments from Nyanda S     Centre name	ity at these schoo	ols, which ca		-	
			(2015)				-
		Sunnybank SHS	1403	517	531	566	4
		Glenala SHS	927	547	875	899	-
		Yeronga SHS	1328	565	629	676	
		Corinda SHS	1920	1637	2103	2167	
L3 Resident Student Numbers (RSN)	• Families from outside the catchment choose Nyanda SHS due to its supportive and inclusive network	<ul> <li>RSN – 834</li> <li>RSN attend – only 175 of t the school which demonst state school.</li> </ul>			-	•	

## Nyanda State High School – Summary of consultation findings and DETE response

2. Accessibility		<ul> <li>901 RSN in 2005, which peaked at 999 in 2007, has declined to 834 in 2013.</li> <li>Approx. 41% of students currently enrolled at Nyanda SHS are from outside the catchment.</li> </ul>
2.1 Distance	<ul> <li>No schools within 5km driving distance</li> <li>Indigenous population, who will be required to travel the largest distance to access Indigenous programs, will disengage from school, thereby widening the gap in their attendance and academic outcomes.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>From Nyanda SHS:</li> <li>Yeronga SHS – 5.3km</li> <li>Individual transition plans will assist students with individual needs to identify most appropriate alternative school.</li> <li>4 neighbouring schools have indigenous support programs</li> </ul>
2.2 Transport	<ul> <li>Limited public transport options available</li> <li>Increased travel time to destination school</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Travel allowances would be available to eligible students (where applicable) through the DTMR School Transport Assistance Scheme (STAS) allowances. Financially disadvantaged students (who live within these distances) may also be eligible for further STAS allowances.</li> <li>BCC Public transport sample travel times from Nyanda SHS:         <ul> <li>Yeronga SHS – approx. 25-30min</li> <li>Macgregor SHS – approx. 35-40min</li> <li>Sunnybank SHS – approx. 25-30min</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
3. Curriculum 3.1 Extent of Curriculum/ Ability to access resources	<ul> <li>Multiple pathways and changes in subjects</li> <li>Access to special education programs will be limited at other schools</li> <li>Special Education Unit provides a safe learning environment</li> <li>Support for Indigenous families</li> <li>Environmental-based subjects</li> <li>Access to education programs for young mothers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Individual student transition plans will assist with addressing issues.</li> <li>Concerns regarding the potential impact of changing subjects is noted, however, the Department is committed to ensuring continuity of education and will work to ensure students can continue current subject offerings. Further student support mechanisms, such as transition plans, will be implemented to support individualised case management.</li> <li>Alternative local schools offer comprehensive curricula, with students selecting from a diverse range of academic and vocational subjects, which will meet the needs and talents of students from Nyanda SHS to provide a wide range of pathways. This includes supporting students to enrol in TAFE based programs or undertake traineeships to enhance their studies.</li> <li>DETE acknowledges the role Nyanda SHS plays in catering specifically for students with a disability and Indigenous students. Individual support plans can be developed and implemented to ensure these students continue to receive a quality education. As evidenced through the Inclusive Education Policy, all state schools have a strong commitment to inclusive education and will implement any required educational adjustments to ensure the needs of the students are met. SWD entitlements (funds and staffing allocation) would transfer with student.</li> </ul>

4. Resourcing Equity			
4.1 Cost per student per annum	<ul> <li>Acknowledged that school does cost more per head (\$17,000), but costs less per student than Yeronga SHS (\$17,300).</li> <li>High cost not unreasonable given low socio-economic nature of clientele</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Cost/student/year Nyanda SHS - \$16,274</li> <li>Cost/student/year at Yeronga SHS - \$14,888</li> <li>Qld average cost/student/year - \$8,361</li> <li>Cost/student/year at Nyanda SHS is 95% higher than, or almost double, the Qld average.</li> </ul>	
4.2 Comparison to other schools	<ul> <li>No maintenance backlog</li> <li>Building and land value estimated at approximately \$27 million</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Total maintenance costs over the last 5 years - \$618,180</li> <li>BER funding - New Centre for Sustainability, Science and Technology \$1.2m</li> <li>BER funding - Refurbish Block E - \$140,000</li> <li>Home Economics Block rebuilt in 2007 after it burnt down - \$1.067m</li> <li>Entire school was refurbished and/or rebuilt in 1997 when the school changed from Salisbury SHS to Nyanda SHS - \$7.4m</li> </ul>	
Other			
QSPC demand mapping		tion (QSPC) for the five (5) relevant SA2s (Rocklea-Acacia Ridge, Coopers Plains, Moorooka, Salisbury- udents increasing by 15% (3,222 to 3,692) from 2011 to 2021 (mostly due to the transition of Year 7 to y 3% to 3,803 by 2031.	
Recommendation	It is recommended that the Minister approve Nyanda State High School for closure.		

### Nyanda State High School – Summary of consultation findings and DETE response



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27 SEP 2013

Ms Fiona McKenna Principal Nyanda State High School Fairlie Terrace SALISBURY QLD 4107

Dear Ms McKenna

I am writing to formally advise you that following careful consideration of the results of the school viability assessment and consultation process, I have determined that Nyanda State High School will permanently close at the end of Term 4, 2013.

I understand that this decision will be disappointing for your school community. I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank your school community members for their participation in the recent community consultation process and for their efforts in preparing submissions.

My Department's regional office staff will support you and your school to manage all of the issues associated with the closure and I understand that some information has already been provided to support students, parents and staff through this process. The regional office staff will provide further information and support over the remainder of the school year.

I appreciate the important role you will play over the coming months as you work to transition students and staff to their new schools for 2014. I encourage you to work closely with your regional office to access the support you or your school may require to ensure a smooth transition. Thank you for your support in relation to this challenging task.

Should you require any further information, I invite you to contact Mr Chris Rider, Regional Director, Metropolitan Region by email at <u>chris.rider@dete.qld.gov.au</u> or on telephone 3422 8666.

Yours sincerely

JOHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education, Training and Employment



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I appreciate the important role you will play over the coming months in supporting your Principal to ensure that students make a smooth transition to their new schools for 2014.

Should you require any further information, I invite you to contact Ms Lee Callum, Executive Director, Infrastructure Strategy, Research and Performance within my Department on telephone 3237 0950 or by email at <u>lee.callum@dete.qld.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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Mr Carl Judge MP Member for Yeerongpilly PO Box 412 MOOROOKA QLD 4105

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I appreciate the important role the Principal and Parents and Citizens' Association will play over the coming months to ensure that students make a smooth transition to their new schools for 2014.

Should you require any further information, I invite you to contact my Chief of Staff, Ms Fiona Crawford on telephone 3237 1000.

Yours sincerely

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27 SEP 2013

Councillor Steve Griffiths Councillor for Moorooka Ward Brisbane City Council Moorooka Ward Office Shop 2 122 Beaudesert Road MOOROOKA QLD 4105

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Yours sincerely

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FromCLAREY, EmmaDateThursday, 6 June 2013 12:00:00 PM

ToJan Taylor; ENGLISH, RichardCcWILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita ParmarSubjectRE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence

Thanks very much.

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Hi Richard

The only one I would disagree with is Nyanda...while Carl Judge has been at both meetings (and graham Perrett) last week there was a lot of very loud criticism at the absence of the LNP Member for Sunnybank (but Richard was back up north then so missed that meeting). The local members have been very active in Townsville and Toowoomba (and in the latter the Regional Council has been heavily involved, particularly the Mayor)

Cheers jan

From: ENGLISH, Richard [mailto:Richard.ENGLISH@dete.qld.gov.au] Sent: Thursday, 6 June 2013 11:49 AM To: CLAREY, Emma; Jan Taylor Cc: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmar Subject: RE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence

No worries Emma. I would say that a local member (either State or Federal) was at every meeting.

Tim Mander attended Everton Park;

Robert Cavallucci was the proxy (and local member) at Fortitude Valley; Ian Walker, although not at the actual community meeting, did meet with the P&C and wider school

community for Old Yarranlea on the Saturday before the community consultation on Wed 22<sup>nd</sup>; Federal Member, Kevin Rudd, attended BSHS as well as Coorparoo Secondary College;

Jackie Tradd attended BSHS (I think)

Carl Judge attended the Nyanda SHS meeting (as did the local Federal member and local BCC councillor)

That's about the extent of my recollections Emma. We'll see if Jan agrees.

Richard

From: CLAREY, Emma Sent: Thursday, 6 June 2013 11:37 AM **To:** ENGLISH, Richard; Jan Taylor **Cc:** WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmar **Subject:** RE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence

### Thanks Richard!

Sorry – should have been more specific in the way I wrote that last email. I meant to say Government representative (i.e. local Member). I had included a line that the Principal of CSS was in attendance as the DETE representative.

Hope this clarifies my first question.

Cheers, Emma

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Hi Emma

An email from Jan to you on 27/05 states that the principal of the Coorparoo SS was present at that meeting plus other staff. I've attached that for your reference.

The minister was not at the BSHS meeting. He attended the Everton Park SHS meeting and the Coorparoo Secondary college meeting as far as I recall. He had intended to be at the Fortitude Valley SS meeting on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> but had to send a proxy at the last minute as he was in parliament and a bill e was progressing came before parliament at exactly that time.

I don't think he attended any other meetings but Jan could clarify that..

Richard

From: CLAREY, Emma Sent: Thursday, 6 June 2013 11:24 AM To: Jan Taylor; ENGLISH, Richard Cc: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmar Subject: RE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence Importance: High

Hello Jan and Richard,

In relation to this urgent Premier's correspondence that I responded to last month... I have been asked a couple of follow up questions by the Premier's office:

- Was there a Government representative at the Coorparoo State School meeting on 16 May? (I am pretty sure the answer to this is, 'no'.)
- Which consultation meetings did the Minister attend as part of the consultation process for the proposed amalgamation? (My understanding is he attended the following – Tues 7 May, 5.00pm-7.00pm at Coorparoo Secondary College; and Mon 13 May, 7.00pm-8.00pm at BSHS. Were there any others that I am not aware of?

our urgent advice on this matter would be appreciated.

Kind regards, Emma

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From: Jan Taylor [mailtoce, be contrary to the public interest under Sent: Monday, 27 May 2013 10:39 AM To: CLAREY, Emma; ENGLISH, Richard Cc: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmar Subject: RE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence

HI emma

I know you are happy with the preceding responses but for the benefit of Chris when he returns I think there is a really important argument about the RDs attending too many meetings..the reality is that neither the RDs nor DETE (nor indeed the Minister) have the answer to the hundreds of detailed questions now emerging. If the RD is there, and legitimately doesn't have the answer, then it probably reflects more on DETE than if he wasn't there. If I don't have the answer to everything it makes much more sense for me to be metaphorically kicked in the teeth (in some cases I commit to taking away pivotal questions and trying for answers from DETE) than DETE.

Probably not relevant to the premier's letter but is for Chris down the track!!!

Cheers Jan

From: CLAREY, Emma [mailto:Emma.CLAREY@dete.qld.gov.au] Sent: Monday, 27 May 2013 10:12 AM To: ENGLISH, Richard; Jan Taylor Cc: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmar Subject: RE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence

Thanks Jan and Richard for your prompt responses

It's no worries at all about your non-attendance at that meeting, Richard. The CSS Principal was in attendance so, I will make mention of that.. I just wanted to get my facts straight before we send this response through the Min's office.

Thanks again. 🙂

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Hi Emma

I did not attend that meeting. My understanding regarding community meetings was that I was required to attend the initial community consultation meeting for each school. I then stepped back to allow Jan's consultation to proceed with complete independence.

I did attend the first community meeting for Coorparoo Secondary College.

I suspect the parent in question is <u>contrary to the public interes</u>. I met this parent at the Coorparoo Sec. College community meeting and spoke with her at length after the meeting. She sent me a very direct email the day after the Coorparoo SS meeting chastising me for not attending.

Richard

From: CLAREY, Emma Sent: Monday, 27 May 2013 9:54 AM To: jalbe contrary to the public interest of ENGLISH, Richard Cc: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmaralance, be contrary to the public interest under se Subject: URGENT: Premier's correspondence Importance: High

Hi Jan and Richard,

We are required to respond to some urgent correspondence to the Premier regarding the CSC/BSHS amalgamation.

A parent has claimed that there was no DETE representative at the meeting on Thursday 16 May with the **Coorparoo State School** community. Can you please confirm whether or not the Principal of Coorparoo State School was in attendance? Richard, did you happen to attend this meeting? Or someone from the Metro office?

I have an urgent deadline for this one as it is Premier's corro. If possible can you please respond by 11am?

Cheers, Emma

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То:	WEDEMEYER, Michael
Cc:	Melissa Salisbury
Subject:	FW: Proposed closure of Nyanda SHS
Attachments:	DOC300713steve griffiths-30072013103128.pdf

Haven't bothered to check the others as any distractions take us off line and it's double the time to get nback into it.

However, this one hasn't been received here and I note the RD has dated its receipt as yesterday

-----Original Message-----

From: MCKINNON, Helen <u>[mailto:Helen.MCKINNON@dete.qld.gov.au]</u> On Behalf Of MetroExecServices Sent: Tuesday, 30 July 2013 11:20 AM To: Jan Taylor Subject: Proposed closure of Nyanda SHS

Morning Jan

Please find attached submission forwarded to the Regional Director Metropolitan Region in relation to Nyanda State High School from Councillor Steve Griffiths, Councillor for Moorooka Ward. Provided for your consideration and progression. Kind regards

Metropolitan Region

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То:	WEDEMEYER, Michael
Subject:	FW: Submission re Nyanda SHS
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They are joking!!!!

From: MCKINNON, Helen [mailto:Helen.MCKINNON@dete.qld.gov.au] On Behalf Of MetroExecServices Sent: Tuesday, 30 July 2013 10:40 AM To: Jan Taylor Subject: FW: Submission re Nyanda SHS

Morning Jan Please see the attached submission forwarded to the Regional Director Metropolitan Region in relation to Nyanda State High School. Provided for your consideration and progression. Kind regards

#### **Metropolitan Region**

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> From: "Carl Judge" <<u>Carl.Judge@parliament.qld.gov.au</u>> To: "RIDER, Chris" <<u>Chris.RIDER@dete.qld.gov.au</u>> Subject: Submission re Nyanda SHS

Hi Chris,

FYI my submission re Nyanda SHS.

NSHS needs to be kept open which could be achieved through a strategic plan – perhaps you could oversee the charge.

Kind Regards,

[cid:70CA3CB18E163049BA99D0B13E37495F@internal.parliament] Carl Judge MP Member for Yeerongpilly [cid:91E7E5049BA2004D9EB2C061E79A54C9@internal.parliament] Phone: 07 3848 4410 Fax: 07 3892 2229 Address: 3/116 Beaudesert Road, Moorooka, Qld, 4105 Postal Address: PO Box 412, Moorooka, Qld, 4105 Email: Yeerongpilly@parliament.qld.gov.au<mailto:Yeerongpilly@parliament.qld.gov.au> Web: www.carljudgemp.com.au<http://www.carljudgemp.com.au>

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Sent:	Friday, 2 August 2013 1:40 PM
То:	WEDEMEYER, Michael
Subject:	resending NSHS report
Attachments:	Report on Proposed Closure of Nyanda State High School.pdf

Hi Michael, I am resending the report for Nyanda State High School. There are no changes except the file name which was earlier sent at Nyanda State School.

Also, will be sending Everton Park State High School soon.

Regards

Anita Parmar e would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest under section 49 of the



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From:	Jan Taylor nce, be contrary to the public interest under
Sent:	Wednesday, 7 August 2013 11:06 AM
То:	WEDEMEYER, Michael
Subject:	RE: Reports
Attachments:	Report on the Proposed Closure of Nyanda State High School.pdf; Report on the
	Proposed Closure of Everton Park State High School.pdf

Please find attached the two remaining reports- Nyanda SHS and Everton Park SHS.

Thanks

Jan

From: WEDEMEYER, Michael [mailto:Michael.WEDEMEYER@dete.qld.gov.au] Sent: Wednesday, 7 August 2013 10:48 AM To: Jan Taylor Subject: Reports

Hi Jan I am still waiting on EPSHS and NSHS reports Thanks

# Michael Wedemeyer

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Jan Taylor nce, be contrary to the public interest under Monday, 1 July 2013 3:39 PM WEDEMEYER, Michael Michael do you think this is a fair summary for Fiona?

Hi Paul and Fiona

As I indicated at the various meetings I attended at Nyanda SHS, DETE's *School Viability Assessment Criteria* forms the basis for DETE's identification of NSHS as a potential school for closure.

As you are aware those four criteria are essentially quantitative and are as follow:

- enrolments (DETE guidelines include enrolment history, especially the past five years, and forecasts for the next five years, and the number of students attending the school who do not live in the school catchment area
- Accessibility (distances and travel times to and from school, access to nearby schools or alternative education programs, transport options and arrangements for the school and neighbouring schools including road networks, bus and train routes)
- Curriculum (the extent of a school's curriculum and its ability to access suitable educational resources)
- Resourcing equity (cost per student per annum and comparison with state schools including the numbers, types and conditions of buildings)

The Minister has explicitly encouraged school communities to offer qualitative views, particularly in relation to local issues or concerns unique to the school, as well as supplementary information the school community may want to provide in relation to the four viability assessment criteria listed above (e.g. some schools have challenged the DETE data). He is especially keen to ensure that all local stakeholders are identified and that the school community is provided with ample opportunities to be involved (including if it believes options other than closure are available). JTA's role in part is to encourage, and receive, an optimal number of views, issues and submissions. It will then prepare a report for the Minister summarising the views and outcomes of school meetings as well as the key points made in submissions.

From: Fiona Mckenna [mailto:fmcke7@eq.edu.au] Sent: Friday, 28 June 2013 10:57 AM To: KINGSTON Paul Cc: Jan Taylor; <u>Chris.Rider@dete.qld.gov.au</u>; <u>mhart15@eq.edu.au</u> Subject: Submission Criteria

## Hi Paul,

At the leadership meeting that Jan Taylor attended I raised the question of the criteria that would be used to assess the submissions being collated by Jan for consideration by the Minister. Members of the leadership group highlighted the fact that when Neil Macdonald, our previous Assistant Regional Director, addressed the staff he stated that there was no point in the staff offering visions of an alternative future for Nyanda as that was not one of the criteria included in the Assessment Viability Process. At the leadership meeting, Jan Taylor the consultant, expressed an entirely different view and said not only should we be doing this, but we should also be highlighting all the positive things about our school in our submission.

She also stated that the other school communities affected by closures had been doing this very effectively.

Jan made a commitment to the Leadership Group to clarify just what criteria would be used to assess the submissions. Could you forward me her reply?

I think it is very important that I structure our submission in such a way that I address the criteria that will actually be used. Otherwise I see little point in preparing a submission. Thanks.

Fiona Mckenna Principal Nyanda State High School

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From:	Jan Taylor nce, be contrary to the public interest under
Sent:	Tuesday, 30 July 2013 11:25 AM
То:	WEDEMEYER, Michael
Subject:	FW: Nyanda SHS Administration Team submission
Attachments:	SUBMISSION NSHS Admin.doc; Appendix 1 - NSHS Annual Report-2012.pdf;
	Appendix 2 Parent OS 2012.pdf; Appendix 3 Student OS.pdf

Advice pls

From: MCKINNON, Helen [mailto:Helen.MCKINNON@dete.qld.gov.au] On Behalf Of MetroExecServices
Sent: Tuesday, 30 July 2013 10:58 AM
To: Jan Taylor
Subject: FW: Nyanda SHS Administration Team submission

Morning Jan

Please see the attached submission forwarded to the Regional Director Metropolitan Region in relation to Nyanda State High School. Provided for your consideration and progression.

Kind regards

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From: HARTH-SWAIN Melanie [mailto:mhart15@eq.edu.au]
Sent: Friday, 26 July 2013 2:54 PM
To: RIDER, Chris
Cc: MCKENNA Fiona; Kingston, Paul
Subject: Nyanda SHS Administration Team submission

**Dear Chris** 

On behalf of Fiona, Paul and myself please find attached a copy of our school submission opposing the close of Nyanda State High School.

Kind regards Mel

Melanie Harth-Swain Deputy Principal

Nyanda State High School 3712 1222



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From: HARTH-SWAIN Melanie [mailto:mhart15@eq.edu.au]
Sent: Friday, 26 July 2013 2:45 PM
To: 'nyandashs@dete.qld.gov.au'
Cc: 'submissions@jtaa.com.au'; MCKENNA Fiona; Kingston, Paul
Subject: Nyanda SHS Administration Team submission

Please find attached our submission to oppose the closure of Nyanda State High School.

Our Submission comprises of four parts: Nyanda SHS submission Appendix 1 – School Annual Report 2012 Appendix 2 – Parent School Opinion Survey 2012 Appendix 3 – Student School Opinion Survey 2012

On behalf of

Fiona McKenna - Principal Paul Kingston – Deputy Principal Melanie Harth-Swain – Deputy Principal

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Sent:	Monday, 17 June 2013 1:53 PM
То:	CALLUM, Lee
Cc:	WEDEMEYER, Michael; AUVA'A, Lynn; Melissa Salisbury
Subject:	RE: Nyanda and possible Minister attendance at public meeting

HI Lee

We already knew that he was unavailable for the 18<sup>th</sup> (and had advised the school accordingly); we were trying to establish if he would be available for ANY OTHER day as the P & C was prepared to be completely flexible. If it's not possible I can just inform them accdgly

From: CALLUM, Lee [mailto:Lee.CALLUM@dete.qld.gov.au]
Sent: Sunday, 16 June 2013 11:16 PM
To: Jan Taylor
Cc: WEDEMEYER, Michael; AUVA'A, Lynn
Subject: Nyanda and possible Minister attendance at public meeting

Hi Jan,

I followed up regarding Minister possible attendance at Nyanda SHS meeting this week, and as he will be in China this week, he is unable to attend.

Can you please pass this on to any community member that asks.

When we get a chance tomorrow, we can discuss if there are any opportunities that the Minister in his busy schedule will be able to meet with Nyanda representative.

regards Lee Callum Executive Director, Strategy, Research and Performance, Infrastructure Services Branch Department of Education, Training and Employment Floor 15 | Education House, 30 Mary Street | Brisbane Qld 4000 T 323 70950 | Montrary to the public inter | E lee.callum@dete.qld.gov.au

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From:	Jan Taylor nce, be contrary to the public interest under
Sent:	Thursday, 6 June 2013 12:00 PM
То:	ENGLISH, Richard; CLAREY, Emma
Cc:	WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmar
Subject:	RE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence

Hi Richard

The only one I would disagree with is Nyanda...while Carl Judge has been at both meetings (and graham Perrett) last week there was a lot of very loud criticism at the absence of the LNP Member for Sunnybank (but Richard was back up north then so missed that meeting). The local members have been very active in Townsville and Toowoomba (and in the latter the Regional Council has been heavily involved, particularly the Mayor)

Cheers

jan

From: ENGLISH, Richard [mailto:Richard.ENGLISH@dete.qld.gov.au] Sent: Thursday, 6 June 2013 11:49 AM To: CLAREY, Emma; Jan Taylor Cc: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmar Subject: RE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence

No worries Emma. I would say that a local member (either State or Federal) was at every meeting.

Tim Mander attended Everton Park;

Robert Cavallucci was the proxy (and local member) at Fortitude Valley; Ian Walker, although not at the actual community meeting, did meet with the P&C and wider school community for Old Yarranlea on the Saturday before the community consultation on Wed 22<sup>nd</sup>; Federal Member, Kevin Rudd, attended BSHS as well as Coorparoo Secondary College; Jackie Tradd attended BSHS (I think) Carl Judge attended the Nyanda SHS meeting (as did the local Federal member and local BCC councillor)

That's about the extent of my recollections Emma. We'll see if Jan agrees.

Richard

From: CLAREY, Emma Sent: Thursday, 6 June 2013 11:37 AM To: ENGLISH, Richard; Jan Taylor Cc: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmar Subject: RE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence

Thanks Richard!

Sorry – should have been more specific in the way I wrote that last email. I meant to say Government representative (i.e. local Member). I had included a line that the Principal of CSS was in attendance as the DETE representative.

Hope this clarifies my first question.

Cheers, Emma Emma Clarey | Infrastructure Strategy (Schools)
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From: ENGLISH, Richard Sent: Thursday, 6 June 2013 11:35 AM To: CLAREY, Emma; Jan Taylor Cc: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmar Subject: RE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence

Hi Emma

An email from Jan to you on 27/05 states that the principal of the Coorparoo SS was present at that meeting plus other staff. I've attached that for your reference.

The minister was not at the BSHS meeting. He attended the Everton Park SHS meeting and the Coorparoo Secondary college meeting as far as I recall. He had intended to be at the Fortitude Valley SS meeting on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> but had to send a proxy at the last minute as he was in parliament and a bill e was progressing came before parliament at exactly that time.

I don't think he attended any other meetings but Jan could clarify that..

Richard

From: CLAREY, Emma Sent: Thursday, 6 June 2013 11:24 AM To: Jan Taylor; ENGLISH, Richard Cc: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmar Subject: RE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence Importance: High

Hello Jan and Richard,

In relation to this urgent Premier's correspondence that I responded to last month... I have been asked a couple of follow up questions by the Premier's office:

- Was there a Government representative at the Coorparoo State School meeting on 16 May? (I am pretty sure the answer to this is, 'no'.)
- Which consultation meetings did the Minister attend as part of the consultation process for the proposed amalgamation? (My understanding is he attended the following – Tues 7 May, 5.00pm-7.00pm at Coorparoo Secondary College; and Mon 13 May, 7.00pm-8.00pm at BSHS. Were there any others that I am not aware of?

our urgent advice on this matter would be appreciated.

Kind regards, Emma

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From: Jan Taylor [mailto ance, be contrary to the public interest under s Sent: Monday, 27 May 2013 10:39 AM To: CLAREY, Emma; ENGLISH, Richard Cc: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmar Subject: RE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence

#### HI emma

I know you are happy with the preceding responses but for the benefit of Chris when he returns I think there is a really important argument about the RDs attending too many meetings..the reality is that neither the RDs nor DETE (nor indeed the Minister) have the answer to the hundreds of detailed questions now emerging. If the RD is there, . and legitimately doesn't have the answer, then it probably reflects more on DETE than if he wasn't there. If I don't, have the answer to everything it makes much more sense for me to be metaphorically kicked in the teeth (in some cases I commit to taking away pivotal questions and trying for answers from DETE) than DETE.

Probably not relevant to the premier's letter but is for Chris down the track!!!

Cheers Jan

From: CLAREY, Emma [mailto:Emma.CLAREY@dete.qld.gov.au] Sent: Monday, 27 May 2013 10:12 AM To: ENGLISH, Richard; Jan Taylor Cc: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmar Subject: RE: URGENT: Premier's correspondence

Thanks Jan and Richard for your prompt responses

It's no worries at all about your non-attendance at that meeting, Richard. The CSS Principal was in attendance so, I will make mention of that.. I just wanted to get my facts straight before we send this response through the Min's office.

Thanks again. 🙂

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Hi Emma

I did not attend that meeting. My understanding regarding community meetings was that I was required to attend the initial community consultation meeting for each school. I then stepped back to allow Jan's consultation to proceed with complete independence.

I did attend the first community meeting for Coorparoo Secondary College.

I suspect the parent in question is contrary to the public interest. I met this parent at the Coorparoo Sec. College community meeting and spoke with her at length after the meeting. She sent me a very direct email the day after the Coorparoo SS meeting chastising me for not attending.

Richard

From: CLAREY, Emma Sent: Monday, 27 May 2013 9:54 AM To: jalbe contrary to the public interest u; ENGLISH, Richard Cc: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; Anita Parmalalance, be contrary to the public interest under se Subject: URGENT: Premier's correspondence Importance: High

Hi Jan and Richard,

We are required to respond to some urgent correspondence to the Premier regarding the CSC/BSHS amalgamation.

A parent has claimed that there was no DETE representative at the meeting on Thursday 16 May with the **Coorparoo State School** community. Can you please confirm whether or not the Principal of Coorparoo State School was in attendance? Richard, did you happen to attend this meeting? Or someone from the Metro office?

I have an urgent deadline for this one as it is Premier's corro. If possible can you please respond by 11am?

Cheers, Emma

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: WEDEMEYER, Michael Monday, 20 May 2013 12:17 PM 'Jan Taylor' WILLIS, Joe RE: Consultation Plans

Hi Jan

Have done an email search and these were forwarded by Richard English as finals. (I had these printed and was reading them in hard copy and not the email) (I'll fwd the email to you )

Further below in the same email is Melissa's comments that "Please find attached the consultation plans for all the schools for your approval. There are a couple of schools who are yet to confirm dates, but the list of activities has been completed and should give you an indication of what they would like to do.

I look forward to your response on these and getting them finalised!":"

So - my apologies - we shall wait till we formally receive them from you.

It may be prudent to follow up on Richard to let him know that you may be waiting on approval.

Thanks for the clarification Talk soon

# Michael Wedemeyer

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From: Jan Taylor [mailton ce, be contrary to the public interest under Sent: Monday, 20 May 2013 12:06 PM To: WEDEMEYER, Michael Cc: WILLIS, Joe Subject: RE: Consultation Plans

#### Hi Michael

Not sure how you have Nyanda as that has yet to be approved by the RD. Nyanda and Fortitude valley were both problematic as there were quite a few changed dates to cope with the Minister's request for quicker consultation. We don't formally send them to you until they have been signed off by the school and the RD; if we have messed up on that wd appreciate that advice so I can wrap knuckles here internally.

Cheers jan

From: WEDEMEYER, Michael [mailto:Michael.WEDEMEYER@dete.qld.gov.au] Sent: Monday, 20 May 2013 10:51 AM To: Jan Taylor Cc: WILLIS, Joe Subject: Consultation Plans

Hi Jan

I have been perusing the Community Consultation Plans and have noted an error in Nyanda SHS – there is an error re dates for 28 and 29 May – both dates say Tuesday. Would you be able to update this and resend to all stakeholders. (I have not gone through and checked if day/dates match for others). Once we have received the updated versions, we will forward these on to the DDG office. Many thanks

Michael

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From:	Jan Taylor ance, be contrary to the public interest under s
Sent:	Monday, 20 May 2013 8:36 PM
То:	WEDEMEYER, Michael
Subject:	Re: Nyanda SHS Community Meeting tonight

Hi Michael have been in back to back mtgs since 12.45 and have only just arrived home from nyanda so this is my first chance to look at emails So the bad news is that I made neither phone call but I did tell a number of people that the minister wasn't there because i understood he hadn't received an invite.

It was the toughest mtg we have had so far...you or the minister may received a complaint about me tmrw from one of the pollies present.

I am out of the office most of the time at the moment so suggest texts or a call to Anita or Melissa will provide a better chance of a response,

Sorry

Chrs

Jan

On 20/05/2013, at 1:04 PM, "WEDEMEYER, Michael" < Michael.WEDEMEYER@dete.gld.gov.au> wrote:

> Hi Jan

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> We have received emails today confirming the Minister's attendance at Nyandas meeting tonight.

> Are you able to please call these 2 people and confirm that the Minister is unable to attend tonight.

- > Thanks

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> tonight.eml> <26a. SIGNED VERSION - Ms Susan Knight.pdf>

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: WEDEMEYER, Michael Thursday, 30 May 2013 3:49 PM CALLUM, Lee Fwd: urgent advice re Nyanda required image003.jpg

Hi Lee For discussion with Jan tomorrow Michael

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jan Taylor Jance, be contrary to the public interest under se Date: 30 May 2013 3:37:48 PM AEST To: "WEDEMEYER, Michael (<u>Michael.WEDEMEYER@dete.qld.gov.au</u>)" <<u>Michael.WEDEMEYER@dete.qld.gov.au</u>> Cc: Melissa Salisbury n balance, be contrary to the public interest under section, "RIDER, Chris" <<u>Chris.RIDER@dete.qld.gov.au</u>> Subject: urgent advice re Nyanda required

Another question I'm afraid.

The response will be returned to the Principal and staff of Nyanda State High School and a fast turnaround would be very much appreciated. I have already spoken to Chris Rider re some of the issues at yesterday's staff meeting and my concern that they needed to be settled down sooner rather than later. He very kindly organised to speak to them all at lunchtime today.

#### QUESTION

On several occasions at yesterday's Leaders'Group meeting I was told that the Assistant RD (Neil McDonald...am not sure about the spelling) had addressed staff at Nyanda SHS on the Monday immediately after the telephone hook up. He apparently told staff there was no point in doing anything and that the closure decision will be made entirely on the four criteria. I have no way of knowing if Neil's statement has been accurately recorded but variations of it were repeated five times.

As my advice was substantially different the staff seek clarification as to whether Neil (the officer to whom they report) is correct or am I correct in stating that no decision has been made re any of the closures. A consultation process is under way and schools have been encouraged by the Minister to submit qualitative (or quantitative) reasons outside the four criteria as to why the school should not be closed.

Michael, this one is impacting pretty heavily on the welfare of the staff so early advice would be much appreciated.

Cheers Jan

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From:	sure would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest under section 49 of the R
Sent:	Monday, 5 August 2013 5:23 PM
То:	WEDEMEYER, Michael
Cc:	Jan Taylor
Subject:	NSHS Final Report
Attachments:	Report on the Proposed Closure of Nyanda State High School.pdf

### Hi Michael

Here is the last one- Nyanda SHS...please see attached for final report.

### Warm regards

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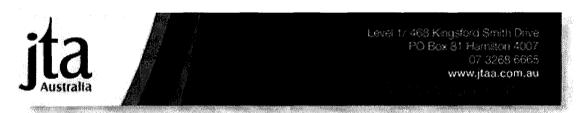
From:	Ire would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest under section 49 of the
Sent:	Friday, 2 August 2013 11:28 AM
То:	WEDEMEYER, Michael
Cc:	Jan Taylor; Anita Parmar
Subject:	Report- Proposed Closure of NSS
Attachments:	Report on Proposed Closure of Nyanda State School.pdf

Hi Michael

Please find attached the report on the Proposed Closure of NSS.

#### Regards

Disclosure would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest under section 49 of the RTI Act.



From:Melissa SalisburySent:Thursday, 23 May 2013 2:17 PMTo:WEDEMEYER, Michael; WILLIS, Joe; AUVA'A, LynnCc:Jan Taylor; ENGLISH, RichardSubject:Nyanda SHS Consultation PlanAttachments:Nyanda SHS Consultation Plan Final.pdf

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From:Melissa SalisburySent:Thursday, 16 May 2013 1:43 PMTo:ENGLISH, RichardCc:WEDEMEYER, Michael; HUNT, Jeff; Jan Taylor; Anita ParmarSubject:RE: Community meetings

Hi Richard

These dates and times align with what we have. Murray updated his consultation plan and sent us a new copy, and I have updated Nyanda's but cannot send it through as we are still waiting for them to come back to us with one more meeting time. Hopefully we will also have Old Yarranlea's consultation plan soon, and then it can all be finalised.

Kind regards, Melissa.

From: ENGLISH, Richard [mailto:Richard.ENGLISH@dete.qld.gov.au] Sent: Thursday, 16 May 2013 1:40 PM To: Melissa Salisbury Cc: WEDEMEYER, Michael; HUNT, Jeff Subject: Community meetings

Melissa

Just finally confirming the remaining community meetings. They are all being held next week at the following times:

Nyanda SHS - Monday 20 May from 5 pm to 7pm

Old Yarranlea SS - Wednesday 22 May from 6.30 to 8.30pm

Fortitude Valley SS – Thursday 23 May from 6pm to 8pm.

Could you please let me know that these times align with your information? My apologies for changing the Consultation Plans in each case but we needed to have those meetings sooner rather than later. Those arrangements will mean that every school involved in both the amalgamation and the closures will have had a formal community meeting by the end of next week. I'm happy for all other meeting dates in the Consultation Plans to remain as originally planned.

Hopefully we will soon have a complete collection of final plans.

Richard

Regards,

Richard English | Regional Director

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# AUVA'A, Lynn

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: WILLIS, Joe Tuesday, 21 May 2013 12:31 PM Jan Taylor nce, be contrary to the public interest under WEDEMEYER, Michael; AUVA'A, Lynn RE: Nyanda SHS Community Meeting tonight

Hi Jan

Communication breakdown here. Not the outcome we were looking for. In hindsight, and understanding the hectic pace of activity you are confronted with, ISRP will deal with such matters in the future. This will minimise our collective risk.

The Ministers ability to attend (or not) is generally determined by the Ministerial Support Unit. In this case the Minister was keen to attend but had long standing appointments that could not be moved to enable his attendance at the Nyanda SHS community meeting. In the absence of verified information, a holding line of "may not have been able to attend" would be better.

It would be good to catch up later in the week to discuss status and key issues. What is your diary looking like on Thursday or Friday?

Regards

Joe

## Joe Willis

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From: Jan Taylor palance, be contrary to the public interest under sec Date: 20 May 2013 8:36:01 PM AEST To: "WEDEMEYER, Michael" <<u>Michael.WEDEMEYER@dete.qld.gov.au</u>> Subject: Re: Nyanda SHS Community Meeting tonight

Hi Michael have been in back to back mtgs since 12.45 and have only just arrived home from nyanda so this is my first chance to look at emails

So the bad news is that I made neither phone call but I did tell a number of people that the minister wasn't there because i understood he hadn't received an invite.

It was the toughest mtg we have had so far...you or the minister may received a complaint about me tmrw from one of the pollies present.

I am out of the office most of the time at the moment so suggest texts or a call to Anita or Melissa will provide a better chance of a response,

Sorry

### Hi Jan

We have received emails today confirming the Minister's attendance at Nyandas meeting tonight.

Are you able to please call these 2 people and confirm that the Minister is unable to attend tonight.

Thanks

Michael Wedemeyer

**Principal Policy Officer** 

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<Phone message : Confirmation of Minister's Attendance at Nyanda SHS tonight.eml>

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## AUVA'A, Lynn

From:	CALLUM, Lee
Sent:	Monday, 17 June 2013 11:19 PM
То:	Jan Taylor
Cc:	WEDEMEYER, Michael; AUVA'A, Lynn; Melissa Salisbury
Subject:	Re: Nyanda and possible Minister attendance at public meeting

Thanks Jan. yes I assumed the "sorry attendance not possible" provided the background. Yes I understand the complexity. Will call tomorrow to discuss.

Lee

Sent from my iPhone

On 17/06/2013, at 1:52 PM, "Jan Taylor' nce, be contrary to the public interest under wrote:

HI Lee

We already knew that he was unavailable for the 18<sup>th</sup> (and had advised the school accordingly); we were trying to establish if he would be available for ANY OTHER day as the P & C was prepared to be completely flexible.

If it's not possible I can just inform them accdgly

From: CALLUM, Lee [mailto:Lee.CALLUM@dete.qld.gov.au]
Sent: Sunday, 16 June 2013 11:16 PM
To: Jan Taylor
Cc: WEDEMEYER, Michael; AUVA'A, Lynn
Subject: Nyanda and possible Minister attendance at public meeting

Hi Jan,

I followed up regarding Minister possible attendance at Nyanda SHS meeting this week, and as he will be in China this week, he is unable to attend.

Can you please pass this on to any community member that asks.

When we get a chance tomorrow, we can discuss if there are any opportunities that the Minister in his busy schedule will be able to meet with Nyanda representative.

regards Lee Callum Executive Director, Strategy, Research and Performance, Infrastructure Services Branch Department of Education, Training and Employment Floor 15 | Education House, 30 Mary Street | Brisbane Qld 4000 T 323 70950 | Mpntrary to the public inter | E lee.callum@dete.gld.gov.au

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## AUVA'A, Lynn

From:	Melissa Salisbury balance, be contrary to the public interest under section
Sent:	Wednesday, 22 May 2013 12:56 PM
То:	WEDEMEYER, Michael; WILLIS, Joe; AUVA'A, Lynn
Cc:	Jan Taylor; ENGLISH, Richard; LUCK, Kim; DUNSTONE, Deborah; Anita Parmar
Subject:	Final Consultation Plans for School Viability Assessment
Attachments:	Brisbane SHS Consultation Plan Final.pdf; CSC Consultation Plan Final.pdf; Everton
	Park SHS Consultation Plan Final.pdf; Fortitude Valley SS Consultation Plan Final.pdf;
	Stuart SS Consultation Plan Final.pdf; Charlton State School Consultation Plan
	Final.pdf; Toowoomba South SS Consultation Plan Final.pdf; Wyreema Consultation
	Plan Final.pdf

Good afternoon

Please find attached the consultation plans for all of the schools currently being consulted except for Nyanda State High School and Old Yarranlea State School. We are still working with these two schools to finalise the plans. I hope to send through their consultation plans in the next day or so.

Please note that the Regional Director for each district has reviewed and approved the plans relevant to their area.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Kind regards, Melissa

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments: Melissa Salisbury n balance, be contrary to the public interest under sected Thursday, 23 May 2013 2:17 PM WEDEMEYER, Michael; WILLIS, Joe; AUVA'A, Lynn Jan Taylor; ENGLISH, Richard Nyanda SHS Consultation Plan Nyanda SHS Consultation Plan Final.pdf

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From:	AUVA'A, Lynn
Sent:	Friday, 3 May 2013 4:18 PM
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Cc:	CALLUM, Lee; CLAREY, Emma; WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael
Subject:	CONFIDENTIAL : School Viability - Support Documentation
Attachments:	Principal Messages.docx; School Newsletter - Charlton SS.docx; School Viability
	Assessment - Consultation Plan.docx; School Newsletter - Wyreema State
	School.docx; School Newsletter - Toowoomba South SS.DOCX; School Newsletter -
	Everton Park SHS.DOCX; School Newsletter - Fortitude Valley SS.DOCX; School
	Newsletter - Nyanda SHS.DOCX; School Newsletter - Old Yarranlea SS.DOCX;
	School Newsletter - Stuart SS.DOCX; School Newsletter - Coorparoo SC.DOCX

Hi Jan and team

Thank you for meeting with us today. Further to our meeting, please see below a copy of the email that was distributed by our DDG to each of the 9 schools as discussed. In confidence, I have also attached for you the documents that the DDG included in his email to each of the 9 Principals. The documents attached are as follows:

- Principal message for the school community
- Each individual letter to the 9x Principals
- Consultation plan

Further background information will be sent in a later email this afternoon and will include:

 Catchment and Facilities Maps for each school (as the maps are large, I will send through and individual email with the maps attached)

I trust this information will assist you during the consultation period and should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Lee on contrary to the public interest.

Kind regards

Lynn for Lee Callum

From: HUNT, Jeff Sent: Friday, 3 May 2013 1:21 PM To: <u>Clave1@eq.edu.au</u> Cc: DUNSTONE, Deborah; CALLUM, Lee Subject: School Viability - Support Documentation

Hello Cathryn

I understand that the Director-General has made contact with you earlier today about the community consultation process regarding proposed closure of your school and I am writing to provide some support materials to assist you in this process.

Attached above is a set of considerations for your information and a draft newsletter for distribution to your community at the close of school today. Also attached is a draft consultation plan that will assist you, your P&C President and the regional director to establish a consultation process for your community. An independent consultant has been appointed to lead and assist the community consultation process. The consultant will make contact with you early next week to make arrangements to commence this process.

As detailed in the attachment, any media contact or other communications to your community should be supported by the DETE Community Engagement Partnership team. Paul Reynolds or Chris Brandt are the key contacts in this area and can be contacted on (07) 3237 0474 or ontering to the public inter-

If you require any further information please contact your Regional Director in the first instance. Mrs Lee Callum, Executive Director, Infrastructure Strategy is also available to provide support or alternatively you can contact me directly.

I acknowledge the central role that you will play in this important process for your community and the department and thank you in advance for the support that you will provide to your students, staff and community.

Warm regards Jeff

Jeff Hunt | Deputy Director-General

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: HUNT, Jeff Friday, 3 May 2013 10:29 PM CLAREY, Emma; jane contrary to the public interest u CALLUM, Lee; WILLIS, Joe RE: Action item for Monday

Jan

Contact details FYO. Lovely to meet you this morning and thank you for the quick response given the earlier timeline.

Look forward to working with you through the process.

Warm regards

Jeff

School	Principal	Mobile	
Charlton State School	Miss Cathryn Lavelle		
Toowoomba South State School	Mr David Gordon		
Wyreema State School	Ms Sandra Tetzlaff		
Everton Park State High School	Ms Sue Wallace		
Fortitude Valley State School	Mr Murray Branch	contrary to the public intere	
Nyanda State High School	Ms Fiona McKenna		
Old Yarranlea State School	Mr Mark Wright		
Stuart State School	Ms Allison Greenaway		

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From: CLAREY, Emma Sent: Friday. 3 May 2013 5:58 PM To: janbe contrary to the public interest u Cc: CALLUM, Lee; HUNT, Jeff; WILLIS, Joe Subject: Action item for Monday Importance: High

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Kind regards, Emma

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Jan Taylor nee, be contrary to the public interest under Sunday, 5 May 2013 11:43 AM CLAREY, Emma CALLUM, Lee; HUNT, Jeff; WILLIS, Joe; Anita Parmar RE: Action item for Monday

Hi Emma

Yes that will be done and as per normal we will keep a notation of the time of the call. If there are problems re making contact you will be advised. I'm assuming that Barrie will not need to do so for Toowoomba as she will be meeting each of the Principals face to face on Monday. If this assumption re Toowoomba is not correct can you pls advise me as soon as possible.

Cheers Jan

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Jan Taylor nce, be contrary to the public interest under Tuesday, 7 May 2013 2:11 PM CALLUM, Lee RE: confidential

Sorry we had a very long internal meeting sorting out inconsistencies and grey areas...am just finishing off the notes from yesterday and will send to you in ten minutes

From: CALLUM, Lee [mailto:Lee.CALLUM@dete.qld.gov.au] Sent: Tuesday, 7 May 2013 2:09 PM To: Jan Taylor Subject: FW: confidential

Hi Jan

Assume your morning has been hectic.

We have been working with the Min's office re tonight and attached is the latest agenda – awaiting Min's office approval.

Below - my comments in red, DDG CS (Jeff Hunt) comments in blue.

I have spoken to Richard and he is going to chat to rary to the public in re approach of her and ourselves tonight,

Richard is chairing and I will be discussing procedure.

I shall resend the presentation when we have reviewed

Cheers, Lee Callum Executive Director, Strategy, Research and Performance, Infrastructure Services Branch Department of Education, Training and Employment Floor 15 | Education House, 30 Mary Street | Brisbane Qld 4000 T 323 70950 | Montrary to the public inter | E lee.callum@dete.qld.gov.au Our Vision | Education • Training • Employment – Brighter Futures

From: HUNT, Jeff Sent: Tuesday, 7 May 2013 12:32 PM To: CALLUM, Lee Subject: FW: confidential

Answers to areas where I felt I needed to add are below

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From: CALLUM, Lee Sent: Tuesday, 7 May 2013 10:38 AM To: HUNT, Jeff Cc: KEANE, Brendan; CLAREY, Emma; WILLIS, Joe Subject: FW: confidential

Hi Jeff,

When you get a chance, please read below and provide clarification.

I did call you this morning, to discuss the puand the Coorparoo meeting tonight. — can you give me a quick call when you are able. I think we need to discuss who is attending and who is presenting what information to the community meeting. I will discuss with Richard the issue of the public interpublicity stating negative comments about the process.

Cheers,

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From: CALLUM, Lee Sent: Tuesday, 7 May 2013 10:36 AM To: 'Jan Taylor' Subject: RE: confidential

Thanks Jan

See my comments below in red

I have a meeting from 11 to 12, but otherwise am free for you to call when you are available Cheers,

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#### From: Jan Taylor [mailtode:, be contrary to the public interest unde Sent: Tuesday, 7 May 2013 8:39 AM To: CALLUM, Lee Subject: confidential Importance: High

Hi Lee

Yesterday Simon spoke to Allison (Principal) from Stuart State School and she had some questions regarding the email address that has been set up for each school. I would like these resolved this morning as Simon is meeting Allison early tomorrow morning. I have provided the answers as I think but three is problematic on a number of fronts

Who is reading the submissions? MY ANSWER: JTA will receive them and prepare summaries Agree
 Will the principals of the affected school have access to the submissions? MY ANSWER: no The consultant will receive the submissions and collate themes and perspectives from them Agree
 Will the submissions be public i.e. will other members of the community be able to see the submissions? NO – certainly not during the consultation period. Yes it can be FOI (also known know as RTI), but I will check that will the submissions will only be after the report is finalised. However, I will check this with others.

Re Q3, I do not think the submissions should be available to others as this is likely either to increase media debate or prolong the public and political discussion. However, there may be FOI issues for DETE which will need to be considered (if the advice is that the submissions must be accessible via FOI then my view is let's be transparent up front and attach them to the report). It's not my preferred option but there may be no other choice if the submissions are coming to JTA via DETE.

In terms of authorship of the submissions it is important that people be able to ask for anonymity if they wish so that there is no reference to their name in the report. There will be a list of submissions in the report but these can be numbered (rather than sourced) and given a broad heading. I believe that summaries of the submissions should be attached as appendices but there may be DETE or FOI requirements which require the entire submission to be attached. We need clarity on that ASAP. I will seek clarification of expectation of level of inclusion of submissions and at what point.

There are now going to be two reports required...one in mid-June (re proposed amalgamation of CSC and BSHS) and the other by 23 August. In each case a draft report will first be made available to DETE (i.e. Lee); once that has been returned to JTA it will then be submitted to the RD for forwarding to the Minister. There was some confusion yesterday as to whether there is an interim step where the RD has the capacity to change the final report before it is submitted to the Minister. My view is that there needs to be absolute clarity that that isn't the case...that the RD is the conduit to the Minister vis-à-vis the final report, nothing more. Agree – except, when RD forwards it, it will still go through my unit on its way to the Minister, so we will see the draft report and then support the final report through the system.

On another matter, I will forward my notes on yesterday's meeting after the JTA meeting and I need to have a quick chat to you no later than 2pm re Disclosure would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest under section 49 of the RTI Act.

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Cheers jan

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments: CLAREY, Emma Tuesday, 7 May 2013 9:23 AM janbe contrary to the public interest u CALLUM, Lee; WILLIS, Joe Initial Coorparoo SC Consultation Meeting 20130506\_1 1.pptx Initial Coorparoo SC Consultation Meeting 20130506\_1 1.pptx

Hello Jan,

Please find attached the presentation which was used at the Coorparoo meeting yesterday afternoon. Please note, we are making some improvements to this presentation this morning and will hopefully send you a template for the remaining consultation meetings in a couple of hours.

Please just use this one for the purposes of briefing your team this morning.

Cheers, Emma

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From:	Jan Taylor ance, be contrary to the public interest under s
Sent:	Tuesday, 7 May 2013 3:45 PM
To:	CALLUM, Lee
Subject:	RE: separate email for submissions to Independent consultant

Ok many thks for that lee ... I do think it will work in your best interests

From: CALLUM, Lee [mailto:Lee.CALLUM@dete.qld.gov.au] Sent: Tuesday, 7 May 2013 3:42 PM To: Jan Taylor Subject: FW: separate email for submissions to Independent consultant

Hi Jan

Approval provided now just waiting for your email??

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From: KEANE, Brendan Sent: Tuesday, 7 May 2013 3:40 PM To: CALLUM, Lee Cc: CLAREY, Emma; HOBBS, Paul; ENGLISH, Richard; STOLZ, Louise Subject: RE: separate email for submissions to Independent consultant

Hi Lee

As per our discussion, I can confirm that Jeff also supports the provision of a non-DETE email address for the community consultation process.

Regards Brendan

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From: CALLUM, Lee Sent: Tuesday, 7 May 2013 3:06 PM To: KEANE, Brendan Cc: CLAREY, Emma; HOBBS, Paul; ENGLISH, Richard; STOLZ, Louise Subject: separate email for submissions to Independent consultant

Hi Jeff/ (Brendan)

As discussed, Jan Taylor the Independent consultant has queried need for a separate non-DETE email address, as many community members are already questioning if it is independent why is it going to DETE first.

Jan is happy to give her email address for submissions too.

I agree and support this approach, as yesterday I noted concern by some regarding this and it gives more credibility to the Minister and DETE.

Are you ok with this? we would like a position on this for tonights meeting.

Cheers,

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 CLAREY, Emma

 Sent:
 Tuesday, 7 May 2013 5:35 PM

 To:
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 Cc:
 CALLUM, Lee; WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael

 Subject:
 Template - PowerPoint presentation for proposed school closures

 Attachments:
 Template Presentation for Consultation Meeting 070513-v2.pptx

Hi Jan,

Please find attached a draft presentation, which can be used for the remaining preliminary community consultation meetings. This has been based on the presentation given at Coorparoo SC this evening to ensure consistent messaging. You will see that this is in a 'template' format so that it can be amended for each individual school community.

We wanted to email you this template this afternoon, because we know the remaining consultation meetings are occurring from temorrow.

Please let me know if you have any questions about this, or if we need to consider further changes in the morning following the Cooperiod SC meeting tonight.

Kind regards, Emma

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CALLUM, Lee
Thursday, 9 May 2013 7:29 AM
Jan Taylor
WEDEMEYER, Michael; WILLIS, Joe; CLAREY, Emma; HOBBS, Paul; STOLZ, Louise;
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Re: Deadline for Receipt of public submissions

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To:	'Jan Taylor'; ENGLISH, Richard
Cc:	CLAREY, Emma; WEDEMEYER, Michael; WILLIS, Joe; AUVA'A, Lynn; SWAYN, Natalie
Subject:	RE: feedback from Jeff Hunt

Hi Jan

As this has been provided to all bar two schools, we need to give to all for consistency.

So we will continue to provide both email addresses. Please call me when you have a chance to discuss further.

Confirm 9<sup>th</sup> August is the final lodgement date for submissions.

Cheers,

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#### Hi Lee

I need urgent clarification re the jtaa submissions email...I think we either receive them and blank out authorship if that is what is requested (and then send you the copy) or they shd all go to the DETE address...otherwise I am misrepresenting the reality...which is what I have already done to a number of people who have asked (particularly those who felt intimidated that they had to send submissions via DETE; I have been providing the 'submissions' email as a direct email to us as independent consultants which will cut DETE out of the process, guarantee their anonymity if required, and ensure there is no censorship). Strong words I know but these exercises are always about perceptions as much as anything else and the more 'independent' the process the better from your perspective (as well as that of the school communities and JTA).

I have no doubt about your integrity, Lee, but I have to say that is not the current perception of either the Dept or the government because of events of the past week. There is no trust in the Dept only acting as a filter for the submissions; add that to the paranoia alive and well already and the JTAA address becomes a safety valve for DETE as much as for the community. After the Monday night publication of the jtaa email every school except BSHS and Fortitude Valley has been told of it and it has been applauded by all P & Cs and school principals.

Cheers jan From: CALLUM, Lee [mailto:Lee.CALLUM@dete.qld.gov.au] Sent: Wednesday, 8 May 2013 5:54 PM To: Jan Taylor; ENGLISH, Richard Cc: CLAREY, Emma; WEDEMEYER, Michael; WILLIS, Joe; AUVA'A, Lynn; SWAYN, Natalie Subject: FW: feedback from Jeff Hunt

Hi Jan and Richard

Below fyi -

Also Jan – sorry I didn't get to return your phone call. it is my understanding that the Minister is not planning on attending Everton Park SHS community meeting or any other community meeting. He only attended Coorparoo as it was the first and also P&C president had made public statements that were not true about consultation. Min's office was only chasing as they wanted to pass on to local member. I will forward a copy of an email I sent earlier tonight to Min Office – fyi

Give me a call if you need further information at this time

Note the use of jtaa@ email only for specific requests and not published. So if you receive any submissions directly, please forward a copy to Natalie Swayn on <u>Natalie.SWAYN@dete.gld.gov.au</u> for collating for overall purposes only.

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From: CALLUM, Lee Sent: Wednesday, 8 May 2013 5:51 PM To: WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael; CLAREY, Emma; AUVA'A, Lynn Cc: KEANE, Brendan; STOLZ, Louise; HOBBS, Paul Subject: feedback from Jeff Hunt

Hi Joe and team,

Late today, Brendan called and confirmed Jeff's support for the following:

- No email addresses or contact information on FAQ or websites
- All school required to advertise submission lodgement information in their newsletters and on their school website
- jtaa@ email is not to be provided generally. He was happy for this to be provided last night to Coorparoo
  due to the specific circumstances. If when Independent consultant is asked for an independent email, then
  he is supportive of her providing on specific requests.
- Contract letter and contract can proceed as is, as it is within my delegation

No further advice at this point regarding enrolments for 2014 for Coorparoo today. Jeff has taken home, and hopefully we will get advise in the morning. Both Jeff and Brendan are aware of the urgency.

Cheers,

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Monday, 13 May 2013 1:57 PM
WILLIS, Joe; CALLUM, Lee
CLAREY, Emma; WEDEMEYER, Michael; ENGLISH, Richard; DUNSTONE, Deborah;
LUCK, Kim
RE: Wyreema

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From: WILLIS, Joe [mailto:Joe.F.WILLIS@dete.qld.gov.au] Sent: Monday, 13 May 2013 1:53 PM To: Jan Taylor; CALLUM, Lee Cc: CLAREY, Emma; WEDEMEYER, Michael; ENGLISH, Richard; DUNSTONE, Deborah; LUCK, Kim Subject: RE: Wyreema

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ASSUME THAT MEANS bshs IS ALSO THE EXCEPTION

From: CALLUM, Lee [mailto:Lee.CALLUM@dete.qld.gov.au] Sent: Thursday, 9 May 2013 11:20 AM To: Jan Taylor Cc: CLAREY, Emma; WEDEMEYER, Michael; WILLIS, Joe; ENGLISH, Richard; DUNSTONE, Deborah; LUCK, Kim Subject: FW: Wyreema

Hi All For your info. Confirmation - The closing date for submissions is 9 August 2013 for all bar Coorparoo.

Cheers, Lee Callum Executive Director, Strategy, Research and Performance, Infrastructure Services Branch Department of Education, Training and Employment Floor 15 | Education House, 30 Mary Street | Brisbane Qld 4000 T 323 70950 | Montrary to the public inter E lee.callum@dete.qld.gov.au Our Vision | Education • Training • Employment – Brighter Futures

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: CALLUM, Lee Sunday, 2 June 2013 10:09 PM WEDEMEYER, Michael; CLAREY, Emma WILLIS, Joe; AUVA'A, Lynn FW: reduce daily task to a weekly task

Hi Michael and Emma fyi

Cheers,

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-----Original Message-----From: Jan Taylor [mailtolce, be contrary to the public interest unde Sent: Saturday, 1 June 2013 7:57 AM To: CALLUM, Lee Cc: Melissa Salisbury; Anita Parmar Subject: Re: reduce daily task to a weekly task

Life Is crazy isn't it. Ty so much for coming back to me on this, even at such an awful hour. Both Melissa and Anita are working on the project this weekend so this will definitely put a smile on their faces!!!

Chrs Jan

Jan

On 01/06/2013, at 12:29 AM, "CALLUM, Lee" <Lee.CALLUM@dete.qld.gov.au> wrote:

> Hi Jan

> We have received approval to reduce information reporting on Coorparoo

> SC feedback to weekly as per other schools We very much appreciate

> your open partnership approach Lee

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> Sent from my iPad

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> Begin forwarded message:

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> From: "HUNT, Jeff"

> <Jeff.HUNT@dete.qld.gov.au<mailto:Jeff.HUNT@dete.qld.gov.au>>

> Date: 31 May 2013 7:04:01 PM AEST

> To: "CALLUM, Lee"

> <Lee.CALLUM@dete.qld.gov.au<mailto:Lee.CALLUM@dete.qld.gov.au>>

> Subject: RE: reduce daily task to a weekly task

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> YEs

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> Jeff Hunt | Deputy Director-General

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> From: CALLUM, Lee

> Sent: Friday, 31 May 2013 2:58 PM

> To: HUNT, Jeff

> Cc: WEDEMEYER, Michael; WILLIS, Joe; STOLZ, Louise; AUVA'A, Lynn;

> CLAREY, Emma

> Subject: reduce daily task to a weekly task

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> Hi Jeff

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> We met with Jan Taylor this morning. She queried and requested, could JTA provide weekly reports for Coorparoo SC as they are for all the other 8 schools.

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> They are going to be really busy over the next few weeks with consultation meetings and developing the report for Coorparoo by mid June. Also, we think that the daily comments and issue summaries are very much reflective of those already provided.

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> Please let me know if you are happy to have reports weekly for all schools now?

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> Cheers,

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> Lee Callum

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То:	'Jan Taylor'
Cc:	WEDEMEYER, Michael; Melissa Salisbury; Simon Hausler; Barrie Spring; Anita
	Parmar; CLAREY, Emma; WILLIS, Joe; AUVA'A, Lynn
Subject:	RE: Four urgent matters

Hi Jan See responses below.

Cheers,

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Hi Lee and Michael

1. Apropos my email of yesterday re the report structure I have two other quick issues/statements for your response and/or confirmation.

At one stage we were considering a spreadsheet matrix to summarise (by topic and school) the content of the submissions. If it was to become supporting documentation then there seemed little point in continuing as its purpose was largely to establish that JTA had in fact read each submission and had honestly attempted to summarise the contents.

However, in a meeting today it was discussed as to whether the final report (as opposed only to supporting documentation) should include such a matrix. It will certainly add substance to the report and therefore will cast a better light on it if it is RTI'd. My recommendation is that it should be included in the report; your view on this would be appreciated ASAP.

We agree - Matrix is to be included in report as you suggest

2. Re the misinformation circulated on television news reports at the weekend about the timelines for the school closures, can you please advise if this has been corrected. If not, and on the basis of enquiries received, I think I may have to circulate an email confirming the current timelines???

We have as of yesterday requested confirmation of current timelines as discussed and agreed with yourself. Shall follow up today and get back to you  The original DETE brief required JTA to produce a review of the consultation process as part of the school reports. I think this will detract from the focus of the reports and would therefore seek your approval to produce the review as a separate document.

Agree – separate doc

Finally, JTA is being hassled re the questions we have submitted to DETE over the last few weeks. Your
assistance in having the responses returned (for distribution to the schools) would be very much
appreciated

We thought we have now responded to all - please let us know which questions are still outstanding????

Cheers jan

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: CALLUM, Lee Monday, 10 June 2013 4:02 PM janbe contrary to the public interest u ENGLISH, Richard; RIDER, Chris; WEDEMEYER, Michael FW: School Closures/Amalgamation query for the week ending 7/6/2013 (No. 4)

Hi Jan,

We have been asked to start to develop the core of the brief re Coorparoo / BSHS ready for your report.

Just to be sure you are aware of the process, once you have finished the draft report a copy will come to us, and we will provide a copy to RD.

RD (Chris Rider) and ourselves will read and provide any feedback. The feedback is of course will be more around structure as the findings are reported by yourself from the submissions. This will give us an opportunity to ensure the fullness of messages are captured.

Then ISRP will draft a brief to the Minister that will then go to RD for his consideration and endorsement prior to progressing to the Minister. As you are aware the original date the report was due to us is 14<sup>th</sup>, however the final version does not need to be completed until 20<sup>th</sup>. Our aim is to get this through to the Minister on Friday 21<sup>st</sup>, so all endeavours will be made to provide timely feedback etc.

Please call if you need to discuss.

Cheers,

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From: FUNG, Audrey Sent: Friday, 7 June 2013 9:14 AM To: Jane contrary to the public interest of Anita Parmar alance, be contrary to the public interest under se Cc: CALLUM, Lee; WILLIS, Joe; WEDEMEYER, Michael Subject: School Closures/Amalgamation query for the week ending 7/6/2013 (No. 4)

Hi Jan & Anita

For your information, attached is the 4rd lot of queries we received in relation to the school closures/amalgamation for the week ending 7/6/2013. As stated before, these queries are correspondence we received regarding the school closures/amalgamation of the 9 identified schools that not included as the e-mail forwarded to you by Natalie Swayn.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Anita – Given the unsuccessful experience sending through our network previously, could you please send me a reply confirming receipt of this e-mail Thanks.

Regards

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: CALLUM, Lee Friday, 14 June 2013 9:20 AM HUNT, Jeff FW: School Closures/Amalgamation query for the week ending 14/6/2013 (No. 6) Query to JTA 130614.docx

Hi Jeff fyi

Cheers,

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From: FUNG, Audrey Sent: Friday, 14 June 2013 9:19 AM To: Jar be contrary to the public interest u Anita Parmarbalance, be contrary to the public interest under sec Cc: WEDEMEYER, Michael; WILLIS, Joe; CALLUM, Lee Subject: School Closures/Amalgamation query for the week ending 14/6/2013 (No. 6)

Hi Jan & Anita

Attached for your information is the next lot of queries we received in relation to the school closures for the week ending 14/6/2013 for inclusion in the consultation report.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Regards

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: CALLUM, Lee Sunday, 16 June 2013 11:11 PM 'Jan Taylor' WEDEMEYER, Michael; AUVA'A, Lynn progressing report

Thanks Jan

I very much appreciate this has been a very large task with short time frame for turnaround final report. I appreciate you have sent through drafts of tomorrow you will send a pdf document of the next version.

We certainly understand that you have endeavoured to capture the extent of the feedback and it is difficult to summarise in a short conclusion the breadth of the key messages.

I understand Michael spoke to you this afternoon regarding the structure of the final report. Of course what is most important is the Minister is provided with the breath of the submissions, so he can be aware of the issues, that have been presented.

Please pass on my thanks to your team for their efforts in collating the submissions.

Warm regards

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From: Jan Taylor balance, be contrary to the public interest under section Sent: Sunday, 16 June 2013 2:59 PM To: WEDEMEYER, Michael; WILLIS, Joe; CALLUM, Lee Cc: Anita Parmar; Melissa Salisbury; Simon Hausler; Barrie Spring Subject: mamma mia!!!!

Okay guys

The report is done (including a short conclusion (that was not in the document | forwarded to you at 12.32pm); your patience and forbearance is very much appreciated.

A table of contents has been included (I know you didn't want one Lee but I think this doc is too long to omit one...the other individual reports will be much shorter so won't need one) and I have just thoroughly edited it. However, I will do a final read in the morning when I am fresh as there is always something that slips through (but you will have the document in pdf form by 9am). I'm not sending the latest edited version now but can do that if you would like. Please let me know if you wd like a CD delivered tomorrow as well.

The only thing I am still concerned about is the number of issues in the overall BSHS summary. I realise the sheer length of that will make any briefings a nightmare so will have another look at it shortly to see if I can come up with

an accurate, comprehensive but much briefer list. There are limits though re what can be done to shorten the results of more than 650 submissions and nearly 20 separate meetings (most of at least two hours duration).

I am now about to switch off my head for a few hours until the final read through and I think, be contrary to the public interest und

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Good luck guys!

I will try to have my mobile with me for the rest of the afternoon in case you need to call me.

#### Cheers

jan

PS there is a mistake at the end of appendices of 3 and 4. IT will be corrected and a new attachment forwarded for 9am.

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CALLUM, Lee
Monday, 17 June 2013 11:19 PM
Jan Taylor
WEDEMEYER, Michael; AUVA'A, Lynn; Melissa Salisbury
Re: Nyanda and possible Minister attendance at public meeting

Thanks Jan. yes I assumed the "sorry attendance not possible" provided the background. Yes I understand the complexity. Will call tomorrow to discuss. Lee

Sent from my iPhone

On 17/06/2013, at 1:52 PM, "Jan Taylor" ance, be contrary to the public interest under swrote:

#### HI Lee

We already knew that he was unavailable for the 18<sup>th</sup> (and had advised the school accordingly); we were trying to establish if he would be available for ANY OTHER day as the P & C was prepared to be completely flexible.

If it's not possible I can just inform them accdgly

From: CALLUM, Lee [mailto:Lee.CALLUM@dete.qld.gov.au]
Sent: Sunday, 16 June 2013 11:16 PM
To: Jan Taylor
Cc: WEDEMEYER, Michael; AUVA'A, Lynn
Subject: Nyanda and possible Minister attendance at public meeting

Hi Jan,

I followed up regarding Minister possible attendance at Nyanda SHS meeting this week, and as he will be in China this week, he is unable to attend.

Can you please pass this on to any community member that asks.

When we get a chance tomorrow, we can discuss if there are any opportunities that the Minister in his busy schedule will be able to meet with Nyanda representative.

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From:	WILLIS, Joe
Sent:	Monday, 13 May 2013 1:43 PM
To:	'Jan Taylor'
Cc:	Melissa Salisbury; ENGLISH, Richard; AUVA'A, Lynn; KEANE, Brendan
Subject:	RE: Urgent clarification sought
Importance:	High

Hi Jan

In response to issues below we can advise:

- BSHS email decision is to run with the Coorparoo and JTA email addresses for consultation purposes. My
  understanding is that BSHS community are already using the Coorparoo email address to make submission
  on the proposed amalgamation therefore we need to continue to promote it; and
- Confirmation that where requested by an author of a submission, their anonymity will be protected by DETE. With the tight timeline I have not been able to check RTI implications. However, my understanding is that under RTI, submission author names can be suppressed where the requested information is satisfied without name.

Let me know if you need more assistance.

Regards

Joe

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From: Jan Taylor [mailto]cc, be contrary to the public interest under Sent: Monday, 13 May 2013 1:02 PM To: WILLIS, Joe; ENGLISH, Richard; AUVA'A, Lynn Cc: Melissa Salisbury Subject: Urgent clarification sought

Hi Joe and Richard

Subsequent to previous requests:

Your urgent advice is sought re the email address (for submissions) for BSHS

Also, I require confirmation that if someone presenting a submissison asks that his or her authorship be suppressed that it can be done (clearly JTA wd maintain a record of the authors so that we cd establish the *bona fides* of

individual submissions if required). It is a normal request with any consultation process that some individuals will not want their details included.

Guys, I leave soon for seven mtgs in a row at BSH so need this urgently .

Cheers jan

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments: CALLUM, Lee Sunday, 23 June 2013 3:00 PM jarbe contrary to the public interest u WEDEMEYER, Michael Introductiona and Conclusion.doc Introductiona and Conclusion.doc

Hi Jan

Thanks for your time last week and a copy of the draft report.

I appreciate that you and Michael discussed at length the introduction and conclusion. Attached is the revised version as I understand you and he determined.

Can you please read and confirm that the attached represents what was discussed and that the revised conclusion appropriately reflects the consultation.

I am in the office catching up, so please call on office line below or my mobile if you would like to discuss.

We are keen to have your final report tomorrow morning, so if you could please confirm, as early as possible tomorrow morning that would be very much appreciated.

Warm Regards

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: CALLUM, Lee Friday, 2 August 2013 4:34 PM jar, be contrary to the public interest un WEDEMEYER, Michael inclusion of comments regarding DETE's commitment to seek and consider feedback re procedure and consultion process

Hi Jan

As discussed on the phone, regarding the importance of inclusion of DETE's plans to seek feedback from key stakeholder including that collected as part of your work, in order to review procedure and consultation process. The words below reflect our intention to review both the procedure and process.

JTA Australia was selected to provide independent consultancy services to facilitate the consultation regarding the proposed closure and responsible for assisting the school community to develop of appropriate consultation approaches with each community. JTA's role included the co-ordinating the community meetings and the collation of information presented during the meetings and through written submissions. Its role did not include the formulation of recommendations. The recommendations will be determined on the information provided to the Minister via the *School Viability Assessment criteria* and this report which outlines the quantitative and qualitative issues submitted to JTA through the consultation process.

Following the finalisation of the annual School Viability Assessment process, DETE plans to seek feedback on the School Viability Assessment process and the consultation process. School communities involved in this year's assessment process will be invited to provide feedback. This will be considered along with feedback provided through the submissions to JTA and P&C Queensland and Isolated Children's and Parents Association.

Please give me a call if you want to seek clarification. Warm Regards

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CALLUM, Lee
Monday, 6 May 2013 10:25 AM
HUNT, Jeff
KEANE, Brendan; WILLIS, Joe
FW: 13 148635 Draft letter to JTA Australia re ~ for School Viability Assessment
Community Consultation Project (Invitation to Offer No. 101382).DOC
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Community Consultation Project (Invitation to Offer No. 101382).DOC.doc
High

Hi Jeff,

Attached is the letter to be attached to the contract for the independent consultant. let me know if you want to see the full contract too.

In short, we thin between the actual contract and the further reference in the letter, it is clear that they are not to speak to media and their role is to only to report findings.

Do you want to discuss this with me further, or are you happy to have this go out for the consultants signature of contract.

regards

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From: WILLIS, Joe Sent: Monday, 6 May 2013 10:08 AM To: CALLUM, Lee Subject: 13 148635 Draft letter to JTA Australia re ~ for School Viability Assessment Community Consultation Project (Invitation to Offer No. 101382).DOC Importance: High

Hi Lee

Draft letter to JTA Australia is attached for DDG CS and your review.

Regards

Joe

Joe Willis Director, Infrastructure Strategy (Schools)

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: CALLUM, Lee Wednesday, 5 June 2013 10:05 AM HUNT, Jeff NUGENT, Louise RE: Jan Taylor questions summary

It certainly could work for the 8 closures. However as timeframes for Coorparoo and Bris SHS are very tight with final report due to DETE as per agreement by 14<sup>th</sup> June, however if we can extend the timeframe for final report to DETE by 21 June with a draft on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>, which will give Metro RD (Chris and Richard perhaps) 48 hours to contribute.

If you are happy with the timeframe, which will still enable us to brief up to Min by end of June, we shall let consultant and RD know.

Cheers,

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From: NUGENT, Louise On Behalf Of HUNT, Jeff Sent: Wednesday, 5 June 2013 9:54 AM To: CALLUM, Lee Cc: NUGENT, Louise Subject: RE: Jan Taylor questions summary

Lee

What have we negotiated with RDs re: seeing an interim report? I would think it would strengthen the process if they had a draft review for say 48 hours? Could that work?

Jeff

From: CALLUM, Lee Sent: Tuesday, 4 June 2013 2:38 PM To: NUGENT, Louise; HUNT, Jeff Cc: WEDEMEYER, Michael; STOLZ, Louise; HOBBS, Paul; WILLIS, Joe; CLAREY, Emma; AUVA'A, Lynn Subject: RE: Jan Taylor questions summary

Hi Jeff/Louise

Thanks - generally agree with changes.

With regarding a review stage:

The JTA draft report will be submitted to the department on Thursday, 13 June 2013. Will RDs will receive a copy before the Minister sees it?

Regional Directors will be provided with a copy for their information only when it is provided by JTA and the report will be published at a later point after the Minister has made a determination on each proposal. (Query: Why wouldn't we build in a review stage?)

Internally we have negotiated with the consultant to see an advance copy of the report prior to it being due, to enable a review. This wasn't part of the formal ToR, however, JTA have agreed to work with ISRP to ensure capacity to review. We also are negotiating the structure of the report.

Is that sufficient? regards Lee Callum Executive Director, Strategy, Research and Performance, Infrastructure Services Branch Department of Education, Training and Employment Floor 15 | Education House, 30 Mary Street | Brisbane Qld 4000 T 323 70950 | Matter of the public inter | E lee.callum@dete.qld.gov.au

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From: NUGENT, Louise Sent: Tuesday, 4 June 2013 2:23 PM To: CALLUM, Lee Cc: CAMBRIDGE, Carly; WEDEMEYER, Michael; STOLZ, Louise; HOBBS, Paul; WILLIS, Joe; CLAREY, Emma; AUVA'A, Lynn Subject: RE: Jan Taylor questions summary

Hi Lee

Jeff's feedback and adjustments to wording are made in your original email below – please note that wording changes are highlighted, but deletions have disappeared.

Please advise if you require any further information.

Regards Louise

Louise Nugent | A/Principal Advisor

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From: CALLUM, Lee Sent: Monday, 3 June 2013 12:27 PM To: HUNT, Jeff; NUGENT, Louise Cc: CAMBRIDGE, Carly; WEDEMEYER, Michael; STOLZ, Louise; HOBBS, Paul; WILLIS, Joe; KEANE, Brendan; CLAREY, Emma; AUVA'A, Lynn Subject: Jan Taylor questions summary

Hi Jeff,

Updated version with Tom Jumpetz approved comments now.

I think this is safe to send out. Can you let me know if you want to approve them, and/or are you happy for me to send out.

#### How is the enrolment projections calculated?

Projections of future potential school enrolments take into account the usual residential patterns of students attending a particular school, and projected size of the school-age population within the catchment. These projections are developed using the latest available demographic, council planning and land supply information. Development information under council planning schemes spanning up to 25 years into the future are incorporated into the projections.

The JTA draft report will be submitted to the department on Thursday, 13 June 2013. Will RDs will receive a copy before the Minister sees it?

Regional Directors will be provided with a copy for their information only when it is provided by JTA and the report will be published at a later point after the Minister has made a determination on each proposal. (Query: Why wouldn't we build in a review stage?)

Will the P & Cs, RDs and principals see the list of comments received vis-à-vis each school before the report is submitted?

A summary of submissions received will be included in the report to the Minister, and this will be provided to the community following Minister's determination. The specific submissions will not be published.

Has a decision has been made by the Minister as to whether the report will eventually be made public? The independent consultant's report is expected to be released to the public after the Minister has made his final determination regarding the proposed school closures and amalgamation.

Are there different regulatory requirements relating to the duration of consultation post gazettal for schools nominated for closure or amalgamation?

As per the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, school closures AND amalgamations must be gazetted at least 6 months prior to closure/amalgamation. In relation to Coorparoo SC, the Minister is seeking initial consultation and feedback before making a determination on the future options of CSC, which may include formally proposing CSC for amalgamation, following which gazettal will occur.

Through the DETE website, school communities understand what criteria has been used by the department to identify potential schools for closure. There has been much discussion about the data used by DETE to establish if schools meet certain criteria. Some school communities appear to have access to the raw data and have already challenged it on specific grounds; will school P & Cs ever have access to the data used by DETE?

The 4 criteria within the School Viability Assessment procedure(enrolments, accessibility, resourcing equity and curriculum) are the basis for which the data was gathered. This includes enrolment data (Day 8 enrolments for 2013 and the average of the last 5 years) and distance to nearby school data. The 8 state schools identified for community consultation regarding proposed closure were identified as requiring further analysis at the school and community level in relation to the criteria, through the community consultation process.

The advice from the Member for Mansfield to OYSS was to produce quantitative arguments against the closure of the school rather than qualitative information as suggested by the independent consultant (i.e. Jan Taylor). They have asked if it is possible to get in writing that the Minister wants qualitative data rather than quantitative data (which is what they have focussed on to date as per the Member for Mansfield's advice). The P & C also said it has only received one written notification re the potential closure and in it the Minister specifically outlined the quantitative assessment criteria.

Communities are encouraged to identify local circumstances and issues, including any qualitative and quantitative information. The criteria outlined in the School Viability Assessment procedure are both quantitative and qualitative and may be a useful guide for community members wishing to make submissions.

In relation to OYSS, they would like to ask DETE whether it has taken into consideration the agreement between Griffith University and Education Qld which requires that consultation also has to be undertaken by GU on this matter and not just DETE, and check whether DETE has asked the university how long it needs to undertake its consultation, or whether GU has been consulted at all. Following on from this, they would then like to know whether they still go through this standard process with the associated timeframes, or whether the process will need to change for OYSS due to the terms of the agreement (including that a year's notice will be required for closure).

The School Viability Assessment procedure ensures the Department has a formal process in place to meet its obligations under the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (the Act) around school closures. DETE is aware of the *"Guidelines for the operation of State School Classes at Old Yarranlea State School"*, and its guiding principles including consultation with the Principal and the Parents and Citizens Association.

The Department considers that through its current community consultation it is meeting the legislative requirements and the spirit of the Guidelines. If, after community consultation, the Minister makes the determination to close Old Yarranlea State School, the Department will work closely with the school community and GU regarding the transition plan for the school and students.

Given that the schools surrounding FVSS are either over, at, or almost at, capacity attendees requested advice on where DETE suggests or expects they send their children to school? The New Farm P & C was present and was very vocal that its school simply cannot take any more students when the school has already had to give up special rooms like art, music, library etc. They felt that any future students could only be housed in a demountable on the oval. If the Minister approves the closure of FVSS, DETE will work with the nearby schools to ensure capacity exists for transitioning students and future enrolments.

Thanks

Lee

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: CALLUM, Lee Thursday, 13 June 2013 6:32 PM HUNT, Jeff WEDEMEYER, Michael; WILLIS, Joe; MURDOCK, Amy; HOBBS, Paul; AUVA'A, Lynn FW: consultation dates

Hi Jeff

As discussed, the independent consultant below, is seeking clarification on dates around consultation.

As you can see below, the Stuart community are concerned about a closing date of submissions being 9 August, but the Minister stating that he would be making a decision on the closure in June or July.

Your assistance to clarify would be appreciated.

Cheers,

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From: Jan Taylor [mailto ce, be contrary to the public interest unde Sent: Thursday, 13 June 2013 11:42 AM To: CALLUM, Lee Subject: consultation dates

Hi Lee

I wonder if you might be able to help in relation to the timing of the consultation for the school closures.

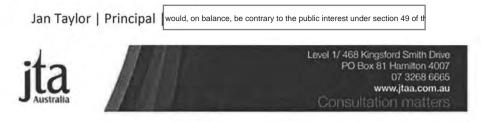
As you know the Minister was kind enough to go to Stuart State School last night to address a meeting. Unfortunately, he told those in attendance that he expects to make a decision on the closure in June or July. The school community is in a panic as it has been working to the advertised date of 9 August (for submissions). Any suggestions as to how this might be corrected would be appreciated. I took the opportunity at a meeting at Everton Park SHS on Tuesday night (where the P & C had heard a similar statement from the Minister) to reassure them that nothing has changed.

Simon Hausler, the JTA facilitator for Stuart, did reassure the meeting last night that the date had not changed so far as he was aware. However, he did not want to contradict the Minister so has told the school he will confirm the dates are unchanged as soon as possible. Clearly I am happy to send that confirmation to the school but am concerned re any future mixed signals.

Any advice would be appreciated.

Cheers

jan



From:	CALLUM, Lee
Sent:	Friday, 14 June 2013 10:39 AM
To:	HUNT, Jeff
Cc:	WEDEMEYER, Michael; WILLIS, Joe; AUVA'A, Lynn; MURDOCK, Amy; HOBBS, Paul; CAMBRIDGE, Carly; SMITH, Pauline; NUGENT, Louise
Subject:	FW: PLEASE REVIEW: Draft email for Lee/Jeff to send to Principals
Importance:	High

Hi Jeff, (louise - if Jeff is in back to back, can you possibly print off the below and see if he is ok with this

Keen to confirm process and request principals ensure closing date is on their web site so no one can say they weren't informed.

Can you have a quick look so I can send this out today please.

Cheers,

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From: CALLUM, Lee Sent: Thursday, 13 June 2013 6:53 PM To: WEDEMEYER, Michael Subject: FW: PLEASE REVIEW: Draft email for Lee/Jeff to send to Principals Importance: High

Hi Michael We didn't get to discuss today, please discuss with me tomorrow.

Cheers,

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